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RUSSIA INKS DEAL ON VACCINE DOSES WITH DR REDDY'S LABS

Russia's sovereign wealth fund RDIF, which is leading the vaccine project, will supply 10 crore doses to Dr Reddy's

REGULATORY APPROVAL AWAITED

Deliveries could begin in late 2020 subject to completion of successful trials and registration of the vaccine by regulatory authorities, according to a joint statement by RDIF and Dr Reddy's. "Phase I and II clinical trials have shown promising results. We will be conducting Phase III trials in India," said G V Prasad, co-chairman and MD, Dr Reddy's Labs | P9

ALL AMERICANS TO GET FREE VACCINE SHOT

- Meanwhile, the US outlined a sweeping plan on Wednesday to make vaccines for Covid-19 available for free to all Americans
- The Pentagon is involved with the distribution of vaccines, but civilian health workers will be the ones giving shots
- Vaccines to be shipped within 24 hrs of FDA's emergency nod | P12

40,000

NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS UNDERGOING PHASE III TRIALS IN RUSSIA

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No plan to amend Official Languages Act: Centre

SANA SHAKIL @ New Delhi

THERE is no proposal to amend the Official Languages Act to include Scheduled languages other than English and Hindi as its official languages, the Centre told the Rajya Sabha on Wednesday.

The Official Languages Act should also be amended to include regional language. This Act was framed long ago. A situation has now arisen where regional language should be given priority and preference

Manu Baligar, president, Kannada Sahitya Parishat

Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Nityanand Rai stated this while replying to a question posed by Marumalarchi Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (MDMK) founder Vaiko. The Rajya Sabha member wanted to know whether there was a proposal to amend the Act to include Scheduled languages, other than Hindi and English, as its official languages, as suggested by the apex court.

When asked how the people in the South and the Northeast, especially villagers, could understand the official communications, rules and regulations published by government, Rai said that there is provision of three-language formula (Hindi, English and Regional Language) as per Point No. 3 of Official Language Resolution, 1968, which has been prepared in consultation with state governments.

"The order of usage of languages in the name-boards/notice-boards to be displayed for the information of the public by Central Government Offices which are located in non-Hindi speaking areas is to be in the order of (1) Regional Language, (2) Hindi, (3) English," the minister said in a written reply.

While hearing an appeal against the Delhi High Court order in the matter of Draft Environment Impact Assessment Notification, 2020, Chief Justice of India S A Bobde had orally remarked that the Central Government should consider amending the Official Languages Act to include Scheduled languages, other than Hindi and English, as official language of the Government of India.

'Recast panel to include people from South'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

FORMER Chief Minister H D Kumaraswamy on Wednesday urged the Union Government to reconstitute the 16-member expert committee, formed to study Indian culture over the past 12,000 years.

"It is very unfortunate that the expert committee does not have any Kannadigas or South Indians who know Dravidian culture. The committee does not even have a woman member," the former chief minister pointed out. P7

AP GOVT PLANS TO MOVE SC AGAINST HC's STAY

The issue relates to probe in a case against former A-G Dammalapati Srinivas and 12 others in the Amaravati land scam, and gag on the media. P9

EXPRESS READ

'Institution builder' Kapila Vatsyayan dies

New Delhi: Arts connoisseur and scholar Kapila Vatsyayan died on Wednesday, aged 92. She was founding director of the Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts | P10

Babri demolition case verdict on Sept 30

Lucknow: A special court will deliver judgment on September 30 in the Babri Masjid case, ruling if L K Advani and Murli Manohar Joshi were involved in razing the mosque in 1992 | P10

15 FIGURE IN DELHI RIOTS CHARGESHEET

Police claim the accused used WhatsApp group to stoke violence

GAYATHRI MANI @ New Delhi

THE Delhi Police on Wednesday filed a voluminous chargesheet in a local court against 15 accused for their alleged role in the larger conspiracy in the North-East Delhi riots in February last that left over 50 people dead. Bunched in 11 volumes, the chargesheet runs into 17,000 pages.

The 15 accused named in the chargesheet are former Aam Aadmi Party councillor Tahir Hussain, Abdul Khalid Saifi, Isharat Jahan, Meeran Haider, Gullisha, Safoora Zargar, Shifa Ur Rehman, Asif Iqbal Tanha, Shadab Ahmed, Tasleem Ahmed, Saleem Malik, Mohamaad Saleem Khan, Athar Khan and Pinjra Tod founder members Natasha Narwal and Devangana Kalita.

They are part of the 21 who are already under arrest under the Unlawful Activities (Preventions) Act (UAPA) and various sections of Indian Penal Code such as criminal conspiracy, attempt to murder, sedition, promoting enmity, rioting and causing damage to public property.

The six others, including Umar Khalid, Sharjeel Imam, Parvez Ahmad and Faizan, are expected to figure in a supplementary chargesheet in the coming days.

HC: Go to trial court for bail

The Delhi High Court asked arrested Jamia Millia Islamia student Asif Iqbal Tanha, who is among the 15 people chargesheeted on Wednesday in the Delhi riots case, to approach the trial court for bail

"It took 195 days to complete the first phase of investigation. During this period, 747 witnesses were examined and approximately 75 electronic devices seized as part of the investigation," the police said.

This is the first chargesheet on the larger conspiracy behind the riots. The case was handled by the Special Cell of the Delhi Police.

According to sources, Tahir Hussain has been named the key conspirator. All 15, the chargesheet alleges, were guiding their foot soldiers on the violence in the area. It accused them of using a WhatsApp group on the anti-CAA protests to instigate violence in the Jafarabad-Seelampur area.

In all, 751 first information reports (FIRs) were filed in connection with the riots. "Of the total FIRs, 59 were assigned to the SIT constituted in the Crime Branch, 691 were investigated by the district police, and one case registered on March 6 to investigate the larger conspiracy behind the riots was assigned to the Special Cell," the police said.

As part of the probe, 12 pistols, 121 empty cartridges, 92 live cartridges, 61 glass bottles filled with noxious chemicals and an assortment of sharp-edged weapons have been seized so far by the police. In the clash that broke out in the last week of February, at least 53 people died and 583 others were injured. Also, properties were widely damaged in arson attacks during the riots.

MAKE IN INDIA

Chennai may house Apple's 2nd largest manufacturer

BINITA JAISWAL @ Chennai

AFTER Foxconn, Tamil Nadu is all set to attract Apple's second largest contract manufacturer for iPhone, Pegatron.

According to industry sources, the Taiwanese electronics manufacturing company is in talks with the state government to set up a manufacturing facility here.

"We want to attract all major electronics manufacturing companies. Talks are on with different companies, including Pegatron. However, it is too early to say anything on it right now," N Muruganandam, Industry Secretary, Tamil Nadu, told *TNIE*.

Experts pointed out that it will be a win-win deal for Pegatron. Apart from benefits such as subsidy on land lease and capital, the company will have a support ecosystem and apt infrastructure as Foxconn already has a factory at Sriperumbudur near Chennai.

The state government's incentives will be in addition to the ones offered by the Centre, sources said.

Pegatron could not be reached for comments.

Down with Covid, four of BSY's ministers likely to miss session

ASHWINI M SRIPAD @Bengaluru

WITH just about five days to go for the start of the legislature session, four ministers in CM B S Yediyurappa's cabinet, including Home Minister Basavaraj Bommai, may skip the sessions, at least for the first few days, as they are undergoing treatment for Covid-19.

Bommai, who tested positive on Wednesday, tweeted that one of the staffers at his residence had tested positive on Tuesday. "I too got tested and was found out to be positive. I have no symptoms. I will be under home quarantine," he stated. Bommai will not be available in the initial days to respond to the Opposition parties which are planning to take on the government on issues such as the DJ Halli violence and the drug racket.

Bommai is the fourth minister to catch the virus in the last one week. On Monday, Urban Development Minister Byrathi Basavaraj had tested positive and the next day, Food and Civil Supplies Minister K Gopalaiah too was diagnosed with Covid. Animal Husbandry minister Prabhu Chavan tested positive last week. P4

BANNED DRUG STILL IN USE KILLS VULTURES

MEERA BHARDWAJ @Bengaluru

A new study finds that drugs used to treat cattle is decimating vulture populations | **THARANGINI BALA**

EVEN as India celebrated the International Vulture Awareness Day on September 5, the news comes that vulture populations are still declining and there are no significant signs of their recovery in India. A new study released this week says the drug diclofenac, which was banned for causing mass kill-offs of three vulture species, is still being prescribed and is available across medical stores.

The catastrophic decline of critically endangered White rumped, long and slender billed vultures in South Asia was caused by non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID) diclofenac which was finally banned in 2006. Apart from diclofenac still being used, there are also other unsafe drugs like Aceclofenac, Ketoprofen and Nimesulide becoming more widely used by vets to treat cattle. Tamil Nadu has already taken steps to restrict the usage of such drugs by vets. P7

CYBER CRIME

'Your data is kidnapped, pay ransom!'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Madikeri

SOMETHING was wrong with their server. They couldn't open their folders. This was not the usual 'System error'. Suddenly a message or rather a warning popped up on their computer screen: "Your files can be retrieved, but you have to pay..."

The personnel of 'Sun Micro Tec IT Solutions' company in Kushalnagar then understood that their data had been 'kidnapped' by cyber criminals and they were asked to pay a 'ransom' in the form of an expensive key to unlock their folders.

A complaint in this regard, a first of its kind in Kodagu, has been raised with the district cyber cell.

This is a new reality that haunts the corporate security teams the world over. Credit cards are passé, data has become a bargaining chip for cyber criminals.

The company personnel detected the 'Ransomware.ogdo' virus, which stole all the system data through the server. And the warning message said, "Don't worry, you can return all your files! All your files like pictures, databases, documents and other important (sic) are encrypted with the strongest encryption and unique keys...The only method of recovering files is to purchase decrypt tool and unique key for you (sic) price of private key and decrypt software is $980."

Further, the warning message even offered the company a discount of 50% -- if the company contacted the hacker via email within 72 hours.

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Laying of Foundation Stone for

Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences & Research, Kalaburagi Branch

300 Bedded New Hospital Complex

Sri B.S. Yediyurappa
Hon'ble Chief Minister

Date: 17.09.2020, Thursday | Time: 09:00 a.m. | Venue: Main Road, Kalaburgi

Dr. K. Sudhakar, Minister of Medical Education and Dr. C.N. Manjunath, Director, SJICR handing over a cheque towards COVID -19 Chief Minister Relief Fund.

Foundation Stone Laying by
Sri B.S. Yediyurappa
Hon'ble Chief Minister

In the August Presence of

Sri Govinda M. Karajola
Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister and Minister for PWD and Social Welfare & Kalaburagi Dist. In-charge Minister

Dr. K. Sudhakar
Hon'ble Minister for Medical Education

Sri B. Sriramulu
Hon'ble Minister for Health & Family Welfare and Backward Classes Welfare

Presided by
Sri Dattatreya C. Patil Revoora
Hon'ble Chairman, Kalyana Karnataka Regional Development Board and MLA, Kalaburagi South

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Hon'ble Chief Whip, Opposition Party and MLA, Jewargi

Smt. Suvarna Hanamantharaya Malaji
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Dr. Umesh G. Jadhav
Hon'ble Lok Sabha Member Kalaburagi

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Hon'ble Lok Sabha Member, Bidar

Dr. Mallikarjuna Kharge
Hon'ble Rajya Sabha Member Kalaburagi

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Thursday 17/09/2020 • Year: Sarvari • Ayana: Dakshinayana • Ritu: Varsha • Masa: Bhdrapada • Paksha: Krishna • Tithi: Arnavasya 4.51 pm • Nakshatra: Poorva Phalguni 10.45 am • Moon in Kanya Rashi • Rahukaala: 12:00 pm to 01:30pm • Gulikakala: 10:30 am to 12:00 pm • Yamaganda: 07:30 am to 09:00 am

WEATHER WATCH

MIN 21°C | MAX 27°C

FORECAST: Light showers. Partly sunny

Sunrise 6.08 am | Sunset 6.19 pm | Moonrise 5.51 am | Moonset 6.31 pm

RELIEVE LECTURERS FROM COVID DUTY, CHIEF SECY TELLS BBMP

They are burdened as colleges have opened and examinations are being held

PEARL MARIA D'SOUZA
@Bengaluru

Since July, lecturers were pressed into duty for follow-up of the Covid-19 patients as block level officers were assigned as nodal officers to oversee the other teachers and lecturers | EXPRESS

THOUSANDS of lecturers in the state have still not got relief from Covid-19 duties despite multiple attempts. So they now have to juggle between college admissions, e-classes, final semester examinations and Covid duties.

Since July, lecturers were pressed into duty for follow-up of the Covid-19 patients as block level officers, and some others were assigned as nodal officers to oversee the other teachers and lecturers who were assigned the door-to-door work.

The central government had in August issued guidelines on holding online classes for college students in September and starting offline classes in October.

The state government also mandated final semester examinations to be completed by September. This, and college admissions for fresh students, offline classes for final year students before the examination and Covid-19 duties, cannot all be handled together, a lecturer told TNIE.

Lecturers said that although the government has relieved school teachers and even pre-university college and polytechnic college lecturers from Covid-19 duties, 'our pleas have fallen on deaf ears'.

To prevent the spread of the pandemic and due to the shortage of staff, all personnel and officials in Bengalru Urban and Rural and government and government-aided institutes, under the age of 55, were called for the task of surveillance. In the government's order of July 24, pregnant, nursing mothers and persons with disabilities were excluded. After Bengaluru, officials and personnel in other districts too were assigned similar work in their regions.

However, now colleges that come under the ambit of the Karnataka state have to hold final semester examinations that need to be completed in September, and the schedule for it is already prepared. Hence, Chief Secretary T M Vijay Bhaskar has written to the BBMP Commissioner and deputy commissioners of all districts to relieve these personnel and officials who are required for conducting the final semester examination from Covid duties.

Only the necessary staff for Covid duties should be retained, he said.Even this letter has not been honoured, M Manjunath, president, Karnataka Government College Teachers' Association, told *TNIE*.

CAN'T BUY HAPPINESS

Children play on the pavement of a lane that was dug up for Smart City project work, off Commercial Street | VINODKUMART

EXPRESS READ

BBMP Commissioner inspects SWD works

BBMP Commissioner N Manjunatha Prasad on Wednesday inspected storm water drain works in Dasarahalli ward. He visited the area after he learnt that over 1,000 houses were flooded due to heavy rain last week. He directed officials to clear silt, check encroachments, and clear them. He was also apprised by engineers that TDR had not yet started on Andrahalli Main Road, which was proposed for road widening. He directed engineers to start the work immediatly. **ENS**

Millionth passenger to get free trips

Bengaluru: IndiGo has launched a 6E 'millionth passenger' campaign for its customers in a bid to increase confidence in air travel. The airlines will reward every millionth passenger with two free round trip tickets across its domestic network, said an official release. The first millionth passenger after resumption of services post lockdown flew from Bengaluru to Kolkata on flight number 6E 344 on September 15. **ENS**

Private company, Nasscom to adopt layout in Bellandur

PREEJA PRASAD @Bengaluru

Most residents of Mithun Reddy Layout are daily-wage workers

MITHUN Reddy Layout in Bellandur will be adopted by QuEST Global and NASSCOM Foundation on Thursday. The year-long initiative aims at helping communities who lost their livelihood during the pandemic to sustain themselves. More than 400 households with around 2,000 people are expected to benefit from this CSR initiative.

As a big migrant population from northern parts of the country and Nepal have settled down in Bellandur, a survey was done on their living conditions. It was found that many families lived in tin roof houses at Thimma Reddy layout, near Doddamma Temple. Despite poor structure and facilities, the residents pay anywhere between Rs 5,000 and Rs 6,000 for these houses. In most of the areas surveyed, residents have completed their SSLC or graduation and are working as auto drivers, cab drivers and as flower shop vendors. But the pandemic dealt them a severe blow and many lost their jobs.

The initiative, 'Resurgent Communities', by the two entities is divided into three phases. The first phase aims at providing immediate relief by distributing ration kits and sensitising the community on continuing their day-to-day chores without being infected by Covid.

In phase 2, schoolchildren will be provided with education and at least one adult per household will be made digitally literate.

The third phase will be to improve the livelihoods of residents by giving the skill training and creating avenues for micro-entrepreneurship. The initiative will also work on creating women self-help groups and community associations.

Ashok Pamidi, CEO, NASSCOM Foundation, said, "Right now, we are focussing on those who are above 18. We have a team of 4-5 members who will be on ground. Most people there are daily wage workers and our aim is to make one person in each household employable," he said.

QuEST Global is a global product engineering and lifecycle services company.

Big Bro's watching: No entry at BDA for brokers

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

AS part of its efforts to crack down on brokers entering its premises and repair the damage they have caused to its reputation, the Bangalore Development Authority has installed more cameras at the entrances to its head office in Kumara Krupa to prevent their entry.

"Unlike the free entry in the past, every individual now needs to make a record of their entry with contact details," said Shivakumar Gunare, Superintendent of Police, BDA Task Force, a unit created from the State police. BDA has added three more cameras to 43 already installed in the office premises.

The cameras at the entrance will also be used to keep tabs on the way the cops function, Gunare said. "A separate monitoring system has been installed both at the Commissioner's office as well as the Task Force to keep a constant tab on visitors," he said. A separate monitoring system tracks the previous installed cameras.

No visitors will be allowed into the head office until 3 pm. Apart from employees, only journalists whose identity has been verified, and farmers from Arkavathy and Kempe Gowda Layout for whom special identity cards have been issued, will be allowed to enter, Gunare added. BDA Commissioner H R Mahadev said, "We are trying to bring professionalism in the BDA. The steps taken presently have to be accentuated by other moves which will help speed up things."

A BDA official said the move has helped them focus on their work. "There would be a constant stream of individuals visiting our office and trying to convince engineers. It is a relief to be allowed to work without being disturbed."

The entrace to the BDA office monitored on CCTV camera

FIR against four for illegal sle of sites

The BDA on Monday filed an FIR at Seshadripuram police station against four of its staffers for illegal sale of five sites in Kadubeesanahalli with a market value of ₹ 15 crore. They were suspended on September 3 after an inquiry revealed their involvement.

Posting of four officials: BBMP wants clarity

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

BBMP Commissioner N Manjunatha Prasad has written to the Additional Chief Secretary, Urban Development Department, seeking clarification on which department must take in four engineers who were relieved from duty a year ago.

Prasad said on Wednesday that the BBMP had relieved the four engineers on November 7, 2019, after a panel headed by retired HC judge Justice Nagmohan Das found them guilty of irregularities in works carried out in Malleswaram, Gandhi Nagar divisions, etc.

But the four of them did not report to the Public Works Department, their parent organisation. They approached the Karnataka Administrative Tribunal, which ordered that status quo be maintained.

They requested the UDD and BBMP to allow them to continue in the Palike. On August 19, the UDD directed BBMP to take steps to continue their services, provided KAT's final order allows it. The KAT, however, dismissed their applications.

Prasad has asked the UDD whether they should be taken back to the BBMP, and if so, which authority must pay their salary from the date they were relieved, as they neither worked in the PWD nor the BBMP.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

17th September: The wonders of space never cease to amaze me. Here's another fascinating fact: the atoms which comprise our world are so small and so far apart that planet Earth is 99 percent empty space. And so are we. In fact, a teaspoon of atoms with all the empty space taken out would weigh no more than all the people alive on the planet today, forgetting all the oceans and continents!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)

Please don't worry if a professional matter now comes to a grinding halt. There are a great many developments yet to take place, and in this light a temporary delay is of little consequence. Mars, your planetary ruler, is still in an emotional state, and you may feel justified in blowing up, but make sure you hit the right target.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)

Go over all bills and demands for payment with a fine toothcomb. The reason is simple: at a time when the planets are indicating increased earnings, they may also cause extravagance and waste. You're still in a romantic mood, so if you want to wallow in sentimentality, go ahead - and don't let anyone put you off.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)

Venus and Jupiter combine so benevolently that you may count on negotiations or transactions being finalised on time. Such is the helpful nature of the current moment that you may also assume that the results will be in your favour. Partners should back you to the hilt, but only if you do the necessary persuading.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)

The world is in a state of flux and one particular tie or association is now being put to the test. It is not easy to know what to do for the best and you may wish to wait and respond to other people's initiatives. You should have made up your mind by the end of tomorrow.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)

The answer to a current personal situation is well within your grasp. However, any optimism needs to be qualified by the recognition that other people may not share your perspective. You may be prepared for a possible reversal, only to be surprised by a sudden breakthrough.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)

On the surface everything appears to be relatively straightforward. Yet the most perceptive among you are aware that intense and turbulent passions are boiling away below the surface. Happily, the Moon's transit through your chart increases your chances of worldly success.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)

Your planets will be beneficial, benevolent and thoroughly enjoyable. We may look beyond light-hearted forecasts of pleasure and fun, and say one more thing about the current planetary line-up: you are being called to recognise the deeply spiritual realities which underpin your life.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)

Today's surprising planetary configuration could produce some startling headlines. Whether you are personally drawn into confrontations and conflicts depends on your level of self-understanding and self-discipline. You seem to be well on the way to a new conquest, perhaps a romantic one.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)

Partners are bound to be more than a little blunt. Rude, some would call it! Yet you can take the odd rebuke or criticism in good part and accept that you may be partially responsible for whatever is now taking place. The only problem is that you still don't really understand what is making particular individuals so agitated.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)

It's a fact that someone close to you has been hurt recently, even if unintentionally. It is now in your interests to come up with a plan to restore goodwill. If you can work out a formula to put harmonious relationships on a long-term basis and protect your own interests, so much the better.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)

You may now feel even more like a square peg in a round hole, and your discomfort may be aggravated by people who are alternately reckless, impatient and unwilling to offer any concession or compromise. In love, take it easy, play it cool and wait for suitors and partners to make the first move.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)

The Sun is positioning you very subtly for your next big adventure. You should no longer care what people think or say. The problem is that colleagues are coming out with so many shocking statements that you must eventually close yourself off and get on with your own life.

THE PHANTOM

PERHAPS I'M BEING TOO RATIONAL IN EXPLAINING WHAT HAPPENED...
MIGHT THE TOXIN HAVE OPENED A PATHWAY FOR AN ACTUAL MESSAGE FROM BEYOND THE GRAVE?
IF SO, I MAY INDEED BE DESTINED TO LIE IN THE UNMARKED GRAVE SHOWN TO ME.

HI AND LOIS

BEETLE BAILEY

BLONDIE

ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE JOB?
YES, WHAT KIND OF SNACK MACHINES DO YOU HAVE, AND HOW MANY BREAKS DO I GET?
WE HAVE SIX COMPUTERIZED SNACK MACHINES, AND YOU CAN TAKE AS MANY BREAKS AS YOU WANT
SWEET!
DO YOU THINK HE IS HIREABLE?
WELL, HE CERTAINLY ASKED ALL THE RIGHT QUESTIONS!

LOCKHORNS

DENNIS THE MENACE

Test your number crunching skill with our unique puzzle

SUDOKU

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5	1		4	7				
	2						1	
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EASY

- Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.
- Each sudoku has a unique solution that can be reached logically without guessing.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzles

3	7	8	9	1	5	6	4	2
2	6	9	8	4	3	7	5	1
5	4	1	7	2	6	8	9	3
6	1	7	3	5	4	2	8	9
9	2	4	6	8	1	3	7	5
8	5	3	2	7	9	1	6	4
1	3	6	5	9	7	4	2	8
7	8	5	4	3	2	9	1	6
4	9	2	1	6	8	5	3	7

JUMBLE — THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

NICIG

DYASL

AYEGVO

PLAAPE

Here we are, Nebraska! As far as you can see.
It's so great to be here!
HEADING WEST FROM IOWA INTO NEBRASKA, THEY COULD SEE THE PRAIRIE ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Ans. here: ( ) ( ) ( )

(Answers Monday)

Yesterday's Jumbles: QUART STYLE CHOOSY STREWN
Answer: Einstein's handwritten memos sold for $1.8 million because they were — NOTEWORTHY

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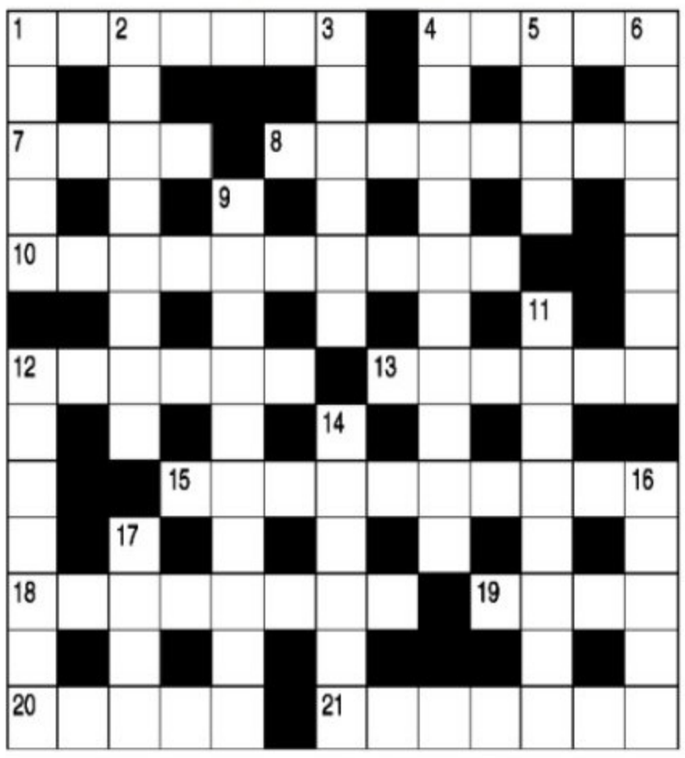

ACROSS

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7 Check it's one of a pair (4)
8 On the edge of alarming change (8)
10 He draws actors into trouble (10)
12 They're for firing ovens perhaps (6)
13 Earth reduced to dust? (6)
15 Agree on a definition of 24 hours and finish work (4,2,1,3)
18 A word of twenty-six letters (8)
19 It is made in a churn (4)
20 Tutor cooked fish (5)
21 Well directed it may finish off the game (7)

DOWN

1 Funny, there's nothing in numerals (5)
2 Providing you get car in for repair (8)
3 Coaches coaches (6)
4 He sits on a bench (10)
5 Conventional women? (4)
6 Did favours when compelled? (7)
9 Very different from some Europeans on their own (5,5)
11 An animal looking for his master (5,3)
12 Up in arms (7)
14 Possibly alerts to changes (6)
16 Potential enemy country (5)
17 Capable of scheming (2,2)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Sweethearts, 9 Leisure, 10 Clamp, 11 Gigi, 12 Levitate, 14 Timbre, 16 Cellar, 18 Agitated, 19 Omen, 22 Hitch, 23 Philtre, 24 Appropriate.

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CM: ₹39K cr aid for agri, allied sectors

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CHIEF Minister B S Yediyurappa on Wednesday said the State government will give Rs 39,300 crore financial assistance for agricultural and non-agricultural activities under various state and Central government programmes this year.

After launching a Cooperatives Department programme to provide financial assistance to people under different schemes, especially during the pandemic, he listed a number of initiatives taken by the State. He said under the Atmanirbhar initiative, a scheme has been announced for building basic infrastructure in the cooperative sector and ₹4,525 crore has been allocated to the state for strengthening cooperative societies, he said.

The Centre is also giving ₹1,700 crore under Special Liquidity Facility under National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) to district cooperative banks, he said.

A senior officer in the department said it is an ongoing programme and cooperative societies have already given out ₹11,880 crore in loans, while urban cooperative banks too have sanctioned loans. "₹39,300 crore is the target for this year. It may even cross that target," the officer said. The CM on Wednesday symbolically handed over loan and sanction orders to 41 people. The loan amount to beneficiaries varies under different schemes, the officer said. In the wake of the pandemic, the Centre has started many programmes under the Atmanirbhar scheme to provide more loans to farmers.

Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa holds a meeting with Cooperative Societies Department officials along with all the Deputy CMs at Vidhana Soudha | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

CONG PICKS JAYACHANDRA FOR SIRA BY-ELECTION

DKS, Siddaramaiah hold meet of Tumakuru leaders before taking decision

ANUSHA RAVI @Bengaluru

KARNATAKA Pradesh Congress Committee president D K Shivakumar on Wednesday announced the party's decision to field former minister T B Jayachandra as its candidate for the Sira assembly bypolls. The seat fell vacant after the death of JDS MLA B Satyanarayana owing to ill health in August.

In a show of unity, Shivakumar and Siddaramaiah held a meeting of all Tumakuru Congress leaders before deciding on Wednesday. Announcing the party's decision to the media, Shivakumar said that Jayachandra was a unanimous choice and was recommended by the leaders of Tumakuru.

"We have decided to go to polls with Dr G Parameshwara as chairman and Rajanna as co-chairman. Rajanna has recommended Jayachandra's name. All the leaders have unanimously agreed to Rajanna's suggestion. Siddaramaiah and I will convey the opinion to the high command. We will begin our preparations immediately and fight unitedly," Shivakumar said.

The choice of Jayachandra, who lost in the constituency in the 2018 assembly elections by 10,365 votes, comes in the backdrop of fears that Congress may lose him to BJP.

CLP leader Siddaramaiah and KPCC president D K Shivakumar at a meeting held to prepare for the assembly session, in Bengaluru on Wednesday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

"I lost in the previous election due to sympathy votes but this time around I am sure of winning with a majority banking on the development work I initiated in the constituency first as an MLA and then as a minister. I have been chosen unanimously. And irrespective of differences within the party, since this is a matter of the party's survival, we will fight unitedly," Jayachandra told TNIE.

Denying speculations that he would have joined the BJP if not offered a ticket, Jayachandra said, "I joined Congress 50 years ago as a law student and I am a born Congressman," he said.

Former legislator Rajanna was seen as another frontrunner and had even met Shivakumar earlier this month.

Jayachandra had won from the constituency twice before the 2018 assembly polls. In 2013, he had polled 74,089 votes at 46.47 per cent while in 2008 he had polled 60,793 votes at 45.02 per cent, both against JDS' candidate Satyanarayana.

Political scenario in Sira, that has generally seen a two-way fight between the Congress and JDS, has changed ever since the 2019 Lok Sabha polls when the two rivals were compelled to work together as allies due to coalition compulsions.

In the last three assembly elections of 2018, 2015 and 2008, the BJP had polled only 9.41 per cent, 11.84 per cent and 17.79 per cent respectively.

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Congress legislators get 'question bank' for session

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CONGRESS legislators are now armed with a 'question bank' to counter the B S Yediyurappa-led BJP government in the upcoming Legislative Assembly session.

During the Congress Legislature Party meeting on Wednesday, KPCC president D K Shivakumar appealed to his colleagues to use the question bank that details points of attack against the government on various issues, ranging from flood, pandemic, alleged corruption in purchasing of Covid-19 equipment, GST compensation, increasing debt, amendments to key legislation through ordinances, etc.

The 'question bank' has been put together by the party to ensure that all its legislators are clued into what the party's focus during the eight-day Assembly session would be.

Congress Legislature Party leader Siddaramaiah said, "The Central government did not bother to ask the state government's opinion before amending the APMC act. The Union government is treating the state government like a municipality. The government has amended many legislation through the ordinance route. It may try to highlight the drug scandal to divert attention from all other important issues. We should not allow that."

The party is keen to move an adjournment motion over floods and drought relief, alleged irregularities in the procurement of Covid-19 equipment and law and order issues like DG Halli violence and drugs scandal.

'CM's Delhi visit not related to cabinet rejig'

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TWO senior ministers, R Ashok and B Sriramulu, on Wednesday insisted that Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa's visit to New Delhi has nothing to do with cabinet expansion or reshuffle.

The ministers, who spoke separately with media persons, said, "The chief minister is visiting Delhi to discuss the flood situation and to bring more grants to the state. Another reason for his visit is to inaugurate the newly-constructed building of Karnataka Bhavan in the capital."

When asked specifically whether the chief minister would expand his cabinet before the commencement of the legislature session, they feigned ignorance. They said Yediyurappa might accommodate those MLAs and MLCs who have helped the BJP in forming the government.

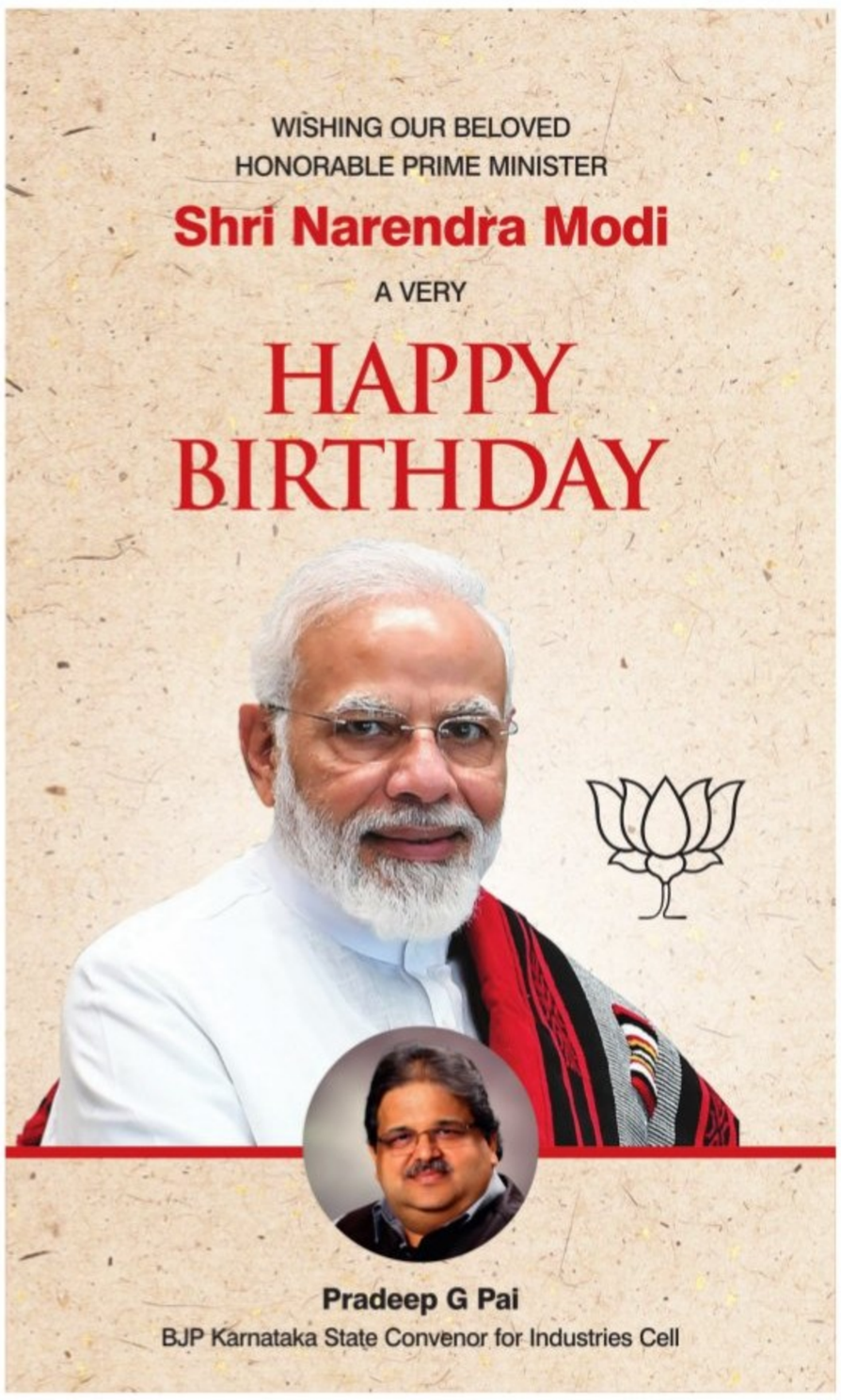
'Good news for docs'

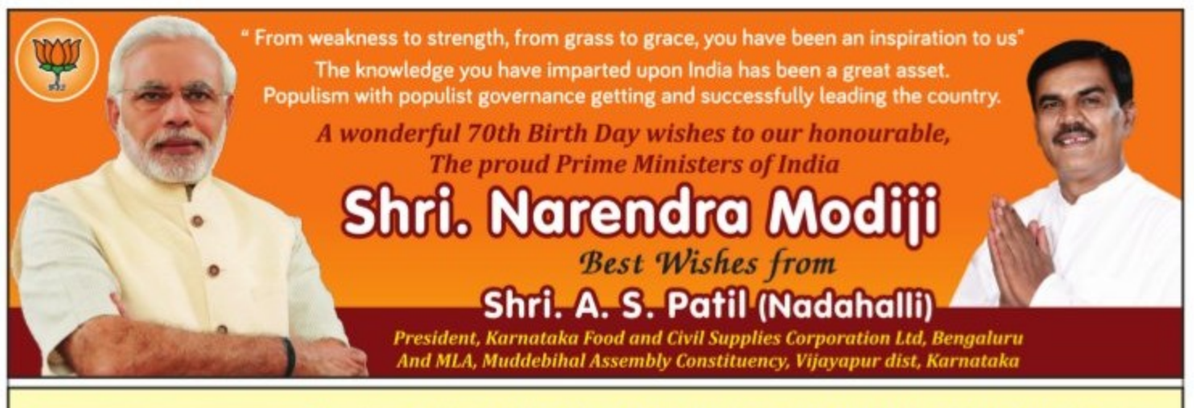
Sriramulu denied that B Y Vijayendra who is the son of chief minister is interfering in the affairs of the Health and Family Welfare Department.

He said the government has some good news for government doctors shortly by fulfilling some of their demands. "We hope medical officers will not go on strike," the health minister said.

Will cooperate if US consulate set up in B'luru: BSY

Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa on Wednesday said it has been a long-standing demand of the state government that the United States of America establishes its consulate in Bengaluru. During his virtual interaction with Judith Ravin, Council-General of United States of America in Chennai, the CM said the state government will extend full cooperation if the US decides to have its consulate in Bengaluru. The CM and the Consul General discussed various issues including cooperation in the space sector, enhancing trade relations between the US and Karnataka, and cooperation in higher education and research. **ENS**

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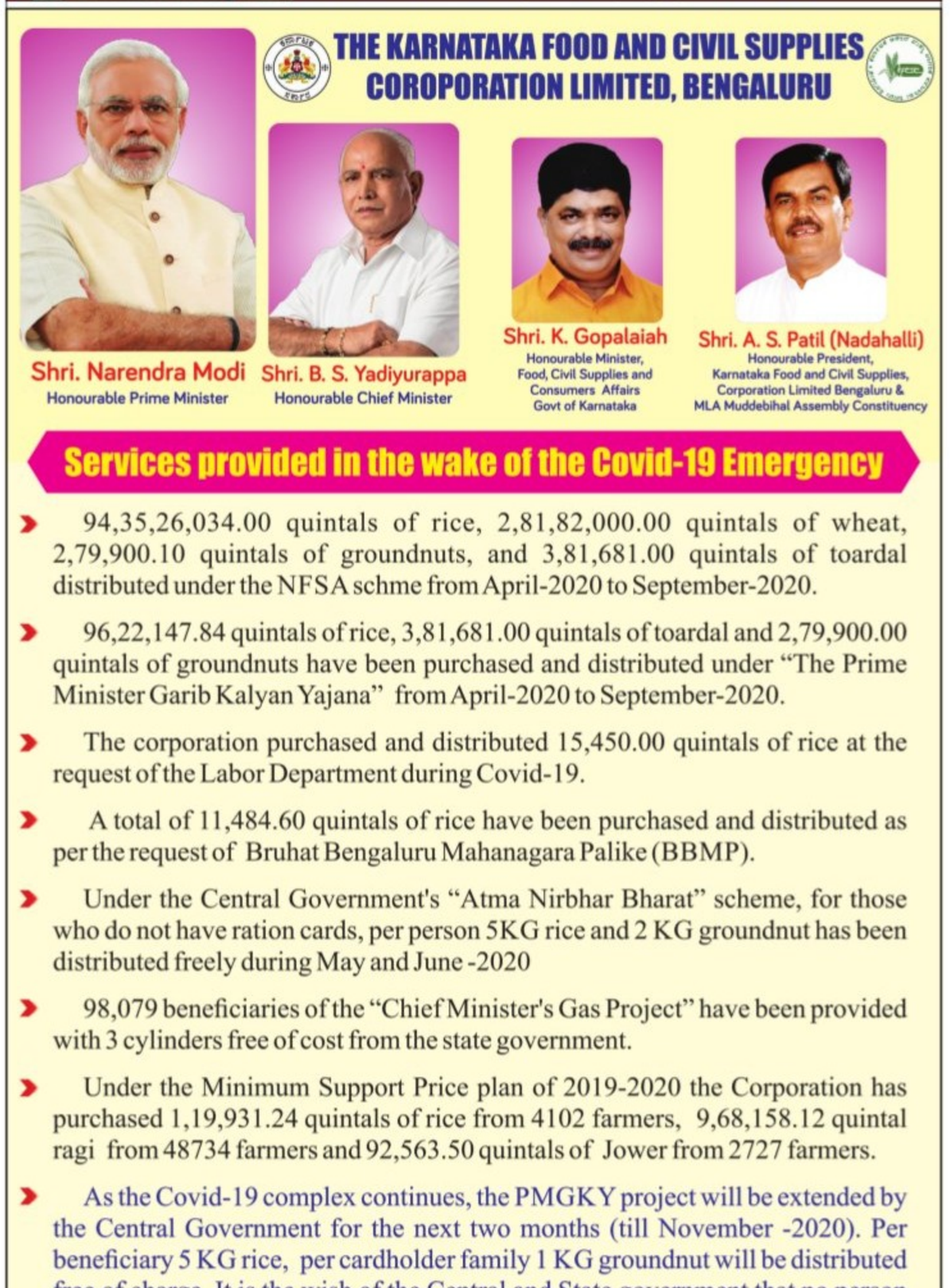
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The corporation purchased and distributed 15,450.00 quintals of rice at the request of the Labor Department during Covid-19.
A total of 11,484.60 quintals of rice have been purchased and distributed as per the request of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP).
Under the Central Government's "Atma Nirbhar Bharat" scheme, for those who do not have ration cards, per person 5KG rice and 2 KG groundnut has been distributed freely during May and June -2020
98,079 beneficiaries of the "Chief Minister's Gas Project" have been provided with 3 cylinders free of cost from the state government.
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As the Covid-19 complex continues, the PMGKY project will be extended by the Central Government for the next two months (till November -2020). Per beneficiary 5 KG rice, per cardholder family 1 KG groundnut will be distributed free of charge. It is the wish of the Central and State government that no person should starve through this scheme.
"We would like to congratulate the Government of India and the State Government of Karnataka for their contribution to the Corporation in this dilemma."

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CORRIGENDUM/ADDENDUM

The notice inviting EOI for providing personnel in State/District and Sub Divisional level water testing laboratories in Jharkhand published vide **PR No.- 232624** (Drinking Water and Sanitation Department Jharkhand 2020-21) in different news paper and on pursuant of pre-bid meeting held on-15.09.2020, following Corrigendum/Addendum are made.

Particulars	Previous date	Modified Date	Place
Starting of Online submission of EOI (Date & Time)	19/09/2020 from 4:00 pm onwards	26.09.2020 from 4:00 pm onwards	Office of the Chief Engineer-cum-Executive Director Programme Management Unit (SWSM) Drinking Water & Sanitation Department, Jharkhand Doranda Bazar (Water Tower Compound, First floor) Doranda, Ranchi – 834002, Jharkhand, Phone: 0651-2480166 Email: swsm.jharkhand@gmail.com, Website: dwsd.jharkhand.gov.in
Last Date, Time & place of submission of Online Proposal	05/10/2020 upto 4.00 pm	12.10.2020 upto 4:00 pm	
Hardcopy (Cost of EOI & EMD) submission Date	07/10/2020 up to 04:00 pm	14.10.2020 upto 4:00 pm	
Opening Date and Time of Technical Bid	08/10/2020 at 01:00 pm	15.10.2020 at 01:00 pm	

Other terms and conditions will remain same.

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TRACKING COVID-19

Karnataka, which was recording a high number of daily discharges, saw a dip on Wednesday. A total of 6,583 people were discharged.

6,583 NEW RECOVERIES

3,75,809 TOTAL RECOVERED

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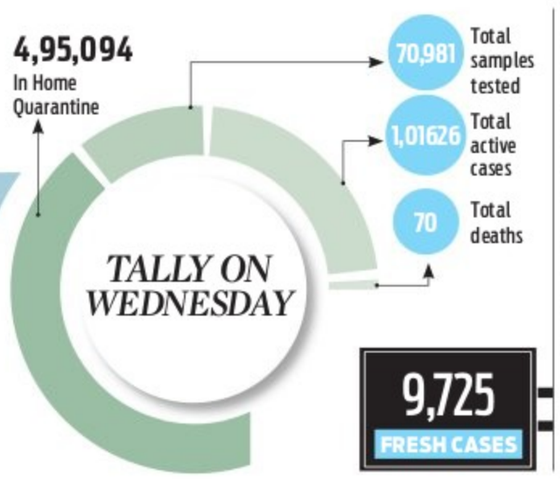

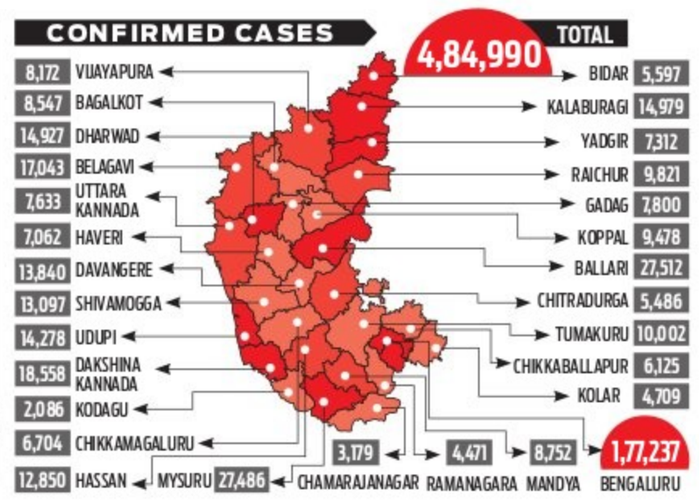

CAN'T BACK SPECIFIC CURE: ICMR SCIENTIST

Says no scientific evidence to support efficacy of convalescent plasma therapy or any set of prescribed drugs

BALA CHAUHAN @Bengaluru

EIGHT months after the first Covid-19 case was reported in India on January 30, "there is still no scientific evidence to support a specific line of prophylactic or treatment including convalescent plasma (CP)," said Dr Rajni Kant Srivastava, Director, ICMR-Regional Medical Research Centre (RMRC), Gorakhpur and head, Division of Research Management, Policy, Planning and Coordination (RMPPC) at ICMR, New Delhi.

Speaking to *The New Indian Express*, he said that the ICMR has not found any scientific evidence to support the efficacy of CP therapy or any set of prescribed drugs that have been found to be effective on some patients. A lot of drugs are being "repurposed" as prophylactic or for treatment of Covid-19. It is a new virus and not much is known about it, yet, he added.

Deputy CM Dr Ashwath Narayan inspects the 50-bed modular container ICU at KC General Hospital in Malleswaram, Bengaluru, on Wednesday | EXPRESS

The ICMR in its recently published PLACID trial report has indicated that there was no difference in the mortality or progression to severe disease among moderately ill Covid-19 patients treated with CP along with basic standard care compared to basic standard care alone.

Dr Srivastava said, "Wearing masks, maintaining social distance and hand hygiene are a must to minimise the spread of Covid-19."

Regarding reports on re-infection in some patients, he said, "It is still too early to comment on this. It depends upon the presence, extent and duration of antibodies in an individual to fight the virus. This is where a person's immune system plays a vital role," he added.

On the increase of Covid-19 cases in India, Dr Srivastava said that aggressive testing and unlocking of economy are two important factors behind the escalating numbers. "It will be difficult to assess at what stage of the pandemic we are. We are, however, nowhere close to getting herd immunity," he added.

The focus right now is on the three, including two indigenous vaccines that are being developed in the country, but there will be "no shortcuts in the clinical trials," he said. "Drug trials take years. It took nearly a decade to come out with an effective vaccine for polio. How can we expect a vaccine for Covid-19 in six to seven months? The three vaccines ('Covaxin,' developed by Bharat Biotech in collaboration with the ICMR, 'ZyCoV-D' by Zydus Cadila and Oxford-AstraZeneca, which under the nod of the DGCI is being developed by the Serum Institute of India) are at various stages of trials and we hope to see some positive results in the next six months. If all goes well, we may come out with the first vaccine in the world," he added.

Dr Srivastava said that in March India was importing N95 masks, testing kits etc. "Today we are exporting medical supplies to other countries. There has been unprecedented support from the government and private stakeholders in handling the pandemic and the vaccine under Prime Minister Modi's Atma Nirbhar Bharat programme," he said.

Free Covid testing being conducted in Bengaluru on Wednesday | VINOD KUMAR T

Med staff too facing mental health issues

IFFATH FATHIMA @Bengaluru

WHILE the focus has been on the mental health issues of Covid patients, what has gone unnoticed are the issues faced by healthcare professionals treating coronavirus patients. The world's biggest survey of healthcare professionals to understand their levels of stress and resilience was carried out in the country and was piloted by three health professionals from the city.

The trigger for the survey was Dr Manohar K N, Consultant Physician, Manipal Hospitals, coming in contact with a Covid-suspected case and going under quarantine. During his isolation he had sleepless nights, anxiety and stress. He then reached out to his collegue C R Satish Kumar, Consultant Clinical Psychologist, Manipal Hospitals, for help. The two, along with Neha Parashar, Assistant Professor, Clinical Psychologist, Montfort College, started the survey.

The survey was conducted among healthcare professionals above 20 and below 65 years of age in 26 states and union territories. In all, 2,008 doctors, nurses and technical staff participated. Around 51 per cent women and 49 per cent men reported having intrusive thoughts related to difficulties faced by their patients. They chose avoidance to deal with stressors and said they had bodily symptoms because of multiple stressors after interacting with Covid patients.

The survey indicated that primary healthcare providers suffered from sadder moods. Even the resilient and optimistic among them showed signs of pessimism (reported by almost 70 per cent of participants). Only 20 per cent reported being highly optimistic.

Dr Manohar said, "It shows that healthcare professionals too need psychological support, to enhance their mental health and self-care practices. No one is talking about a potential mental health crisis that healthcare workers are facing. To an outside observer, healthcare workers look strong and resilient in the face of the unknown. Underneath, many workers are barely keeping it together."

Dr Kumar said, "These professionals do not have time for themselves and they do not seek mental health support. After doing the study, we launched a hotline and counselled over 500 nurses and lab technicians. After understanding their issues, we had psychotherapy sessions."

Prof Parashar said, "We were amazed to see the resilience and optimism which is a positive note too. Many healthcare professionals were affected, yet many have been positive and continue with their job."

Notices sent to 36 hospitals

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BBMP Commissioner N Manjunatha Prasad on Wednesday issued show-cause notices to 36 hospitals in the city for violating the government norm of reserving 50 per cent of beds to Covid-19 patients.

He pointed out that patients have been denied beds despite the government giving them the allotment through the SAST portal.

The hospitals have been given 24 hours to update bed details on the SAST portalt.

The facilities are: Apollo Hospital, Bannerghatta Road, Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Limited Seshadripuram, Bangalore Baptist Hospital, Chris Super Speciality Hospital, HBS Hospital Trust, BGS Hospital, Medihope Hospitals and Research Centre, Nandana Health Care Services, Narayana Hrudayalaya, New Janapriya Super Speciality Hospital, Santosh Hospital, Shifaa Hospital, St Vega Hospital, Regal Hospital, Specialists Health System, Sagar Hospital Jayanagar, Santosh Hospital, Manipal Hospital, Vikram Hospital, Sakra, Pulse, City Hospital, Ramaiah Harsha Hospital, Healthcare Global Enterprises, Raksha Multispeciality Hospital, Vijayashree Hospitals, Ehaa Hospital, Sushrusha Hospital Yelahanka, Nu Hospital, Comfort Multi- Speciality Hospital, Srinivasam Cancer Care Multi Speciality Hospital and Republic Hospital.

Belagavi corporation workers take a break while on funeral duty on Wednesday | ASHISHKRISHNA HP

BBMP, health officials counselling Covid patients post recovery

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BRUHAT Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) and Health Department officials have taken up counselling sessions for patients who have recovered from Covid-19, not just to help them come out of their trauma and overcome stigma, but also to help others in need.

This exercise is also aimed at motivating these patients to donate plasma. Though the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) is not convinced with the efficacy of plasma therapy, the state government is going ahead with it as it has shown promising results here. Instead of enticing people with benefits and rewards, the two departments are aiming at counselling recovered patients to become plasma donors.

BBMP Commissioner N Manjunatha Prasad, while talking to The New Indian Express, pointed out that a Covid-positive person goes through a lot of fear. "They need proper counselling and positive reinforcement. Once a person recovers from Covid, he/she can donate plasma. That is what is required at the moment," he said.

A health department official said, "Many Covid patients, whether they are at home, Covid Care Centre or hospital, are depressed as they face a lot of social stigma. Once they recover, they are not willing to help others. They need to be made mentally and emotionally strong to donate plasma. We tell these patients that if need be, their own family members will benefit."

The counsellors talk to patients about their health and diet, profession and work life, family and wellbeing. "We also tell recovered patients to take walks in the morning and to smile at others, whether they know them or not. We advise them to go easy on work and to understand their physical limitations before starting anything new," a counsellor said.

COVID WATCH

Active cases cross 1L-mark in state

Bengaluru: Bengaluru Urban on Wednesday recorded its single highest cases at 3,571, taking the tally in the state capital to 1,80,283. There were 9,725 cases recorded across the state on Wednesday, pushing it closer to the 5 lakh-mark, with 4,84,990 total cases. The number of active cases in the state has crossed a lakh — 1,01,626 in total. In some good news, the number of deaths has declined over the last few days in the state — 70 deaths were recorded on Wednesday. ENS

Will act as per docs' advice: Minister

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

THE four ministers will not be able to attend the proceedings for the first few days, or might even miss the session completely, as they have to be isolation for at least 15 days.

Minister Gopalaiah told *TNIE* that he is admitted in Manipal Hospital. "I am under medication and recovering. Even after I fully recover and get discharged, I might be in isolation for one more week," he said. When asked about the session, he said he will contact the doctors before attending it. "We have to be more responsible. I will go by the doctors' advice," he added.

The 10-day session will begin from Monday. Due to the ongoing pandemic, it is mandatory for all the legislators, officials and media persons to get a Covid-negative certificate.

In the last few months, many elected representatives including Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa, Health Minister B Sriramulu, Kannada and Culture Minister C T Ravi, Forest Minister Anand Singh, Cooperatives Minister S T Somashekar, Agriculture Minister B C Patil, Rural Development and Panchayath Raj Minister K S Eshwarappa, Women and Child Development Minister Shashikala Jolle had contracted the virus and have recovered from the infection.

Opposition leader Siddaramaiah and KPCC president D K Shivakumar too had tested positive and recovered.

CM to get tested before Delhi visit

Bengaluru: Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa will get tested for Covid-19 again, ahead of his Delhi visit, and his travel plans will depend on the results. This is because Home Minister Basavaraj Bommai had attended a cabinet meeting on Wednesday, and had later tested positive, according to sources in the CM's Office. During his Delhi visit, the CM is expected to meet Union Ministers and attend the foundation-laying ceremony for the new Kannada Bhavan.

Actor Sanjjanaa in judicial custody, moved to prison

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ACTRESS Sanjjanaa Galrani, arrested in the Sandalwood drug racket case, has been shifted to the Bengaluru Central Prison in Parappana Agrahara after the court remanded her to judicial custody on Wednesday.

The Central Crime Branch (CCB) raided her residence and arrested her on September 8. As her police custody ended on Wednesday, police produced her before the First Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate court through video-conference. As the police did not seek further extension of her custody, the court remanded her to judicial custody.

The court ordered that Sanjjanaa should be produced before the Special Court for NDPS Act cases and remanded her in judicial custody for two days. The police should now produce her before the special court on Friday.

The counsel representing Sanjjanaa told the court that his client should not be remanded in judicial custody and should be released on bail, as the police had not specified the charges against her. The police have also not produced her before the special court only to deny her a chance at bail, he argued.

Two other accused in the case, Viren Khanna and Ravishankar, who too were produced before the court on Wednesday, were remanded to in judicial custody for 14 days and taken to the central prison.

Ragini's bail plea hearing adjourned

A city court adjourned the hearing of the bail petition filed by actress Ragini Dwivedi to Friday As the Special Public Prosecutor requested time to file objections.

Another peddler lands in CCB net

Bengaluru: CCB police arrested another peddler in the Sandalwood drug racket case. He allegedly supplied drugs to parties hosted by some of the accused. Benald Udenna, from an African country, was arrested after he was named by some of the accused. "Three names were revealed during questioning — Blackie, Coke and John. During investigation, it was found that all three were the same person operating under different names and phone numbers," said Joint Commissioner of Police (Crime) Sandeep Patil. The police, who seized 12 grams of cocaine from the accused, have taken him into custody for further investigation. ENS

Diganth, Aindrita grilled by CCB cops

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ACTOR couple Diganth and Aindrita Ray, summoned by the CCB police to appear before them in connection with the Sandalwood drug case, were questioned for close to three hours on Wednesday. The police who have seized their phones for investigation, said that the couple will be asked to depose before them again shortly.

The police had issued notice to the couple on Tuesday. Accordingly, they both arrived at the CCB office on Mysuru Road at around 11.20 am. While Diganth was questioned by a team of officers on the ground floor, Aindrita was taken to the first floor. They were freed only at around 2.30 pm.

Diganth, who spoke to reporters later, said that he cannot share the details of the police inquiry but that they (couple) had shared all the information they had about the case.

Sources in the CCB said that the couple was summoned as there were leads about their possible involvement in the drug racket. "Like Ragini Dwivedi and Sanjjanaa, the couple had attended parties at a casino in Colombo. Aindrita was Ragini's friend and they have attended many parties together. Also, there is evidence that other drug peddlers arrested had contacted Aindrita on several occasions. Ragini's friend Ravishankar was also close to Aindrita earlier," an official said, adding that they had concrete evidence to establish that the couple had attended parties where there were drugs.

It is learnt that the police have sought some details from the couple, which the latter have sought time for. The police has given them time for this.

Star couple Diganth and Aindrita Ray arrive at the CCB office in Bengaluru on Wednesday. Police say they may be summoned again | SHRIRAM BN

> Like Ragini Dwivedi and Sanjjanaa, the couple had attended parties at a casino in Colombo. Aindrita was Ragini's friend and they have attended many parties together - CCB source

IIM-B will host Japanese robot creator Tomotaka Takahashi on a virtual talk 'The Creation of a New Robot Era' at 11 am on September 25, as part of the India-Japan Study Centre's seminar series, 'Tatsujin - Speak'

EXPRESS READ

Zero-tolerance for malpractice: NLSIU

Bengaluru: The National Law School of India University will adopt a zero-tolerance policy for malpractice during the online entrance examination. The announcement comes after a candidate wrote to the vice chancellor claiming he had cheated and would clear the examination and would not get caught. In a statement, the university said it had access to a comprehensive record of the 'candidate conduct' during the examination. Some candidates were disqalified by proctors during the exmaination. The post-examination audit and review by staff and third-party experts will analyse candidates behaviour based on seven parameters. **ENS**

GREY SKIES

Dark clouds hover over Vidhana Soudha on Wednesday. The city has been experiencing rains over the last few days | VINOD KUMAR T

Govt rapped for delays, acquittals in SC/ST cases

Until 2015, chargesheets were filed only in 6,451 of 35,091 cases

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THE Karnataka High Court on Wednesday took serious exception to delays in investigation, trials and low conviction in cases registered under the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 and issued multiple directions including to the State government for the effective implementation of the Act.

IN THE HC

A division bench comprising Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice Ashok S Kinagi issued the directions after hearing the State's response to a PIL filed by the Committee for Monitoring and Strengthening SCs and STs in Karnataka.

The judge said according to Rule 7(2) the chargesheet must be filed in 60 days. "However, of the 35,091 cases at the end of 2015, chargesheet has been filed in only 6,451 cases... the government should clarify whether the investigation officer has submitted an explanation for the delay in investigation," the bench said.

The bench directed the Registrar General (RG) of the high court to file a report on the State government's request to set up nine more special courts to try cases under the Act, given the high number of pending cases, and the steps taken to fill vacancies of district judges. The bench directed the RG to issue a circular to all special courts, drawing the attention of judicial officers to the time frame fixed for atrocity cases. If such a circular has already been issued, the RG must file a report on whether training had been provided to them.

The low conviction rate can be improved by monitoring cases.

The government must train investigation officers and Special Public Prosecutors to address the delay and large number of acquittals. The government can approach the Karnataka Judicial Academy for the training, it said.

The government must furnish details of compensation provided to victims.

Plea disposed of after govt word on cashless benefit

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THE Karnataka High Court on Wednesday disposed of PIL filed by the Karnataka Government Medical Education Department Institutions Employees' Welfare Association after the State Government agreed to provide cashless treatment under Jyothi Sanjivini Scheme to over 5,000 employees of various autonomous institutions under the department.

In its affidavit, the Government told a division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice Ashok S Kinagi that cashless treatment for Covid-19, in addition to the existing seven diseases covered by the scheme, will be extended to the employees of the Medical Education Department.

For Covid-19 treatment, eligible employees can approach the director of the institution, who can refer them to hospitals empanelled under the scheme.

DJ Halli violence spontaneous: Report

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THERE is no substantial evidence to suggest that the violence at DJ Halli and KG Halli on August 11 was premeditated or communal in nature. Rather, it was a spontaneous incident that political parties took advantage of with an eye on the upcoming BBMP elections, according to a fact-finding report.

"All we spoke to expressed that this was indeed a local and spontaneous incident that had been taken advantage of by different political parties for immediate political gains which included the upcoming corporator elections," the report, 'Communalising Violence in DJ Halli', stated.

A 24-member team comprising researchers, activists, human rights organisations, and advocates, which visited the riot-hit areas between August 20 and September 1 released the report on Wednesday.

Though a social media post by Naveen P, nephew of Congress MLA Akhanda Srinivas Murthy, that allegedly triggered the incident was clearly meant to incite violence, his motive had not been sufficiently investigated by the police nor discussed by the media, the report said.

The police failed to act effectively on the post when small delegations approached the police station, and also failed to intervene in effective ways to prevent the violence from escalating.

"The police seem to have abandoned the situation like in Kaval Byrasandra, where despite repeated phone calls to the police station, the police either came late or when they did arrive at the site of violence, did so in small insignificant numbers. The police are responsible for delayed response in registering an FIR against Naveen, which resulted in a discontented crowd swelling at the stations," the report said, adding that the police violated the rights of the accused by not following due procedure during and after the arrests.

It was accepted by various groups that Muslim youths assisted in protecting the homes and vehicles of Hindu and Christian families. They formed a human chain outside the Hanuman temple and the police station to keep the mob at bay.

The report said barring a few exceptions like the English print media, media coverage of the incident was biased and largely unsubstantiated.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Investigate Naveen's Facebook post and failure to take immediate action against Naveen
- Probe police failure in handling the situation and the intelligence failure
- Survey the area to assess loss of livelihoods, nutrition, health and shelter post the lockdown, and measures to address them
- Withdraw charges under the UAPA

UAPA was unwarranted

"The unwarranted invocation of UAPA in the present case evidences its misuse and abuse to further a communal narrative against the Muslim community, and target the SDPI. The arbitrary use of UAPA and proposal to refer the case to the NIA appears to be part of a pattern on the part of the ruling government to stereotype the entire Muslim community as being anti-national and traitors," the report said.

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- Union Bank of India, Regional Office, Bengaluru East Region, 487, 32E Cross, 19th main, 4th block, Near Sanjay Gandhi Hospital Raod, Jayanagar, Bengaluru 560041, Mobile No: 9846668373.

Last date for submitting the application: 25.09.2020

Deputy Zonal Head
BENGALURU

SOUTHERN RAILWAY
(CONSTRUCTION ORGANISATION)
E-Tender Notice
No.ERS/SG/CN/2020/09(OT)
dated 14.09.2020

1. **Name of the work:** Re-routing of signalling cables and shifting of signalling assets in Trivandrum Central - Eraniel section in connection with doubling of track between Trivandrum Central - Kanniyakumari.
2. Approximate cost of the work: **₹1,70,67,473/-**
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7. Notice board particulars where details of can be obtained: Office of the Dy Chief Signal & Telecommunication Engineer, (Construction), Southern Railway, Ernakulam Junction.

Note: 1. GST as per extant rules is applicable for the supply and services by the tenderer. 2. Visit **www.ireps.gov.in** for detailed terms and conditions and other details.

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SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY
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Name of Work	Approx. Value
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Up to 11:00 hrs of 03.10.2020
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SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY
Employment Notice No. CMP/03/GAZ/2020
Walk in Interview- For Doctors

South Western Railway, Mysuru Division proposes to engage full time Medical Practitioners (Specialist) on contract basis for South Western Railway, exclusively at Railway Hospital, Mysuru for a period of one year or less or till regular incumbent joins whichever is earlier subject to terms and conditions.

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2. **Age: i) For open Market Candidate:** Should not have completed more than 50 years as on 16.09.2020. **ii) For Retired Railway Doctors / Retired State Government Medical Officers :** Up to the age of 65 years reckoned as on 16.09.2020.
3. **No. of Vacancies: GDMO(Specialist) :** UR-01 **4. Place At Which Service Required:** Railway Hospital, Mysuru. **5. Venue of Interview:** Office of Chief Medical Superintendent (CMS), Railway Hospital, Vontikoppal, Mysuru. **Date & Time Of Interview:** 30.09.2020 (Wednesday) from 11.00 hrs to 17.00 hrs.
6. **Honorarium: i)** For open Market Candidate: Rs. 95,000/- per month. **ii)** For retired Railway Doctors / Retired Govt. Medical officers of state Government : Fixed remuneration of Rs. 46,000/- per month (Subject to the condition).

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APPENDIX IV [Rule 8(1)]
POSSESSION NOTICE (For immovable property)

Whereas the undersigned being the authorized officer of **IDFC First Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited)** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with [rule 3] of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notices calling upon the Borrower/ Co-borrowers and Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the demand notice appended below within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice together with further interest and other charges from the date of demand notice till payment/realization.

The Borrower/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors and public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this notice.

Loan A/c. No.	Borrower/s/ Co-borrower/s & Guarantors Name	Description of The Immovable Properties	Demand Notice		Date and Type of Possession Taken
			Date	Outstanding Amount (Rs.)	
13577919	1. Vinod G 2. Gangadhara V N 3. Pramodh G 4. Rajeshwari G	**All the piece and parcel of the property consisting of** All that piece and parcel of the property extract of B Property Register No.609/62/28/A, Old Site No.28/A, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South (20+17)/2 feet, situated at Baggalgunte Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Banglore North Taluk, bounded on: East by : Property bearing Site No.25, West by : Road, North by : Property bearing Site No.27, South by : Property bearing Site No.28.	15-11-2019	Rs. 11,61,145.35/-	14-09-2020 Symbolic Possession
14507342	1. Mr.Chandrashekar Marimadanna 2. Nagamma Honnegowda	**All the piece and parcel of the property consisting of** Western Portion Site No.7A, Assessment Gramatana No.49/1, Khatha No.3798, Measuring East To West 20ft, And North To South 27ft, In All Measuring 540 Sq.Ft, Situated At Kodigehalli Village Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore, Karnataka-560091. Bounded : North - Private Property, South - Road, East - Remaining Eastern Portion of Site No.7A, West - Site No.08	03-02-2020	Rs. 15,37,142.65/-	14-09-2020 Symbolic Possession
18809922	1. Mr. Prasanna Kumar H 2. Mrs.Anushree D S	**All the piece and parcel of the property consisting of** All that piece of property bearing BBMP katha No.66/Site No.4, Old Site No.4, Assessment no.66, measuring East to West 50 feet and North to South 25 feet, formed in land bearing SurveyNo.66 of Hegganahalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Banglore North Taluk, Karnataka-562110. Bounded : North - Mr. Shivakumar's House, South - Mr. Poojari Byrappa's vacant House, East - Mr. Poojari Byrappa's Property, West - 30 Feet Road.	02-01-2020	Rs. 32,03,957.94/-	14-09-2020 Symbolic Possession

The Borrower/ Co-borrowers/ Guarantors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **IDFC First Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited)** for an amount mentioned in the demand notice together with further interest and other charges from the date of demand notice till payment/realization.

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
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PUBLIC NOTICE

It is informed to the General Public, authorities of the Central and State Government and companies/organization including Financial Institutions That M/s HSNU Foods India Private Limited, which is registered under Companies act, 2013 vide registration No: U15549KA2017PTC108756 And situated at 19, Mosque Road, Frazer Town, Bangalore-560 005, Karnataka represented by its all directors are intended to transfer the Ownership of aforesaid company with all shares and assets including Tangible and intangible assets etc. to 1) Mr. Nayeemuddin Bijapur Son of Abdul Majeed Bijapur, who is having DIN 01832501 and Aadhar No: 5145 7492 7561 and 2) Mrs. Summayabanu N Bijapur W/o Nayeemuddin Bijapur, who having DIN 07703836 and Aadhar No: 6559 3430 6571 both Are residing at 287, 2nd Main, 7th Cross, Laxmi Layout, Arakere, Bangalore South, Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru-560 076, Karnataka therefore if Any person or whosoever having any claim, or whatsoever against the company or its directors may forward their objection, claims, demand or Whatsoever, to the undersigned in writing with supporting documents of such Claims within 7 (seven) days from the date of publication of this notice, Failing which it will be deemed that there is no claims, demand or whatsoever. And thereafter no claims will be considered.

SYED ABDUL SABOOR, ADVOCATE
L-2-05, 1st Floor, Splendid Plaza,
4th Cross, 2nd Block, HRBR Layout,
Kalyan Nagar, Bangalore-560 043.
Mobile : 99806 05646
Bangalore Dated: 15.9.2020

IN THE COURT OF THE 13TH ADDITIONAL CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE AT BANGALORE
C. MISC. NO. 6321/2019

PETITIONERS : 1) Sri SRINIVASA, S/o Late Narasimhaiah, aged about 45 years R/at No. 129, 2nd Main, Binnipet, Magadi Road Bengaluru

2) Sri. NARAYANAPPA, S/o Late Narasimhaiah, aged about 62 years R/at No. 504, 10th Main Road M.C Layout, Near Water Tank, Bangaluru

3) Sri. PADMAVATHI, W/o Somanna D/o Late Narasimhaiah, aged about 51 years R/at No. 268, Manoranayanapalya, Benglauru North Taluk, Bengaluru.

4) Sri. SAVITHRAMMA, W/o Chandrashekar D/o Late Narasimhaiah, aged about 49 years, R/at 20th Cross, Bhuvaneshwari Nagar, Magadi Road, Bengaluru.

-V/s-

RESPONDENT: The Commissioner, Registrar of Births and Deaths BBMP, Bengaluru.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Take Notice that the above Petitioners Sri. Srinivasa, S/o Late Narasimhaiah, 1st Petitioner, Sri. Narayanappa, S/o Late Narasimhaiah, 2nd Petitioner, Smt. Padmavathi, W/o Somanna, D/o late Narasimhaiah, 3rd Petitioner, Smt. Savithramma, W/o Chandrashekar, D/o Late Narasimhaiah, 4th Petitioner, has applied for issue of Death Certificate of mother of 1st to 4th Petitioners, in respect of the Death reported on **01-03-2015** in respect of Nagamma, W/o Late Narasimhaiah.

Any persons are having any objections to issue the same may notify to this course on **27th October 2020** with valid and tunable Statements, with through advocate or in person in the event no objection are received it will be presumed that these are no objections are any type of claims and this court will proceed further in the matter ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on this 15th day of September 2020

By order of the Court, Sheristedar, XIII ACMM Court, Bengaluru City.

Petitioners Council:
M. NARAYANASWAMY, Advocate
No. 1/1, 1st Floor, 4th Main S.R. Nagar, Bengaluru.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our clients (1) Smt.Radhamma, W/o.S.M.Srinivas, (2) Sri S.M.Srinivas, S/o.late M.Muninanjappa, (3) Master S.Manoj Kumar, S/o.S.M.Srinivas and (4) Master Suhas Gowda, S/o.S.M.Srinivas, Minor, since No.4 is minor represented by his natural mother and guardian - Smt.Radhamma, all are residing at Shyanappanahalli, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District hereby informs the general public that they are absolute owners of the land bearing Sy.No.41/P2 (Old Sy.No.41 Block 9), measuring 0-26 guntas, situated at Shyanappanahalli Village, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District.

In this regard our clients have executed a registered general power of attorney on 02.07.2016 in favour of Sri Anjaneya Reddy, S/o.Srirama Reddy, residing at No. 10, Chanakya Provision Store, Devasandra Main Road, Devasandra BVNHS Complex, K.R. Puram, Bangalore-560 036, to deal with the land belongs to our clients.

Our clients informs us that due to some misunderstanding between our clients and the GPA holder Sri Anjaneya Reddy, our clients have already sent legal notice to the GPA holder canceling the GPA executed in his favour authorizing him to deal with the property referred above and have cancelled the registered GPA dt. 10.09.2020 Vide Document No.54/2020-21 in the office of Sub-Registrar, Chikkajala, Bengaluru.

If in spite of cancellation of GPA, if any person/s / third parties enter into any sort of transactions with the GPA Holder in respect of the above property such an agreement of sale/ sale deed etc. the same has no value in the eye of law, So also the same is not binding on our clients. Further, our clients will take suitable legal action against those who involve in the illegal transactions concerning the above property before the competent Court of law.

SCHEDULE

All that part and parcel of the land bearing Sy.No.41/P2 (Old Sy.No.41 Block 9), measuring 0-26 guntas, situated at Shyanappanahalli Village, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, bounded on: East by : Sy.No.41/B4 belongs to Chowdamma, West by : Sy.No.41/B8 belongs to S.M.Chandrashekar, North by : Sy.No.41/B5 belongs to Krishnappa, South by : Sy.No. 41/B10 belongs to Rajanna.

V. VISHWANATH
SRINIVASA REDDY B.
Advocates, No. 16, 4th Floor, RD Complex, Victory Avenue Building, Hospital Road, Bangalore-560053.

IN THE COURT OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, BANGALORE DISTRICT, BANGALORE.
K.SC.ST.APPEAL No.109/2018

BETWEEN : Smt. Parvathi Kumar & Others ...APPELLANTS
AND : The Assistant Commissioner & Another ...RESPONDENTS

SUMMONS FOR SERVICE TO RESPONDENT NO. 2 BY PAPER PUBLICATION UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 OF THE CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE, 1908

Respondent No. 2 : Shri. Kenchappa S/o. R. Narayanappa, Aged Major Resident of Bagalur Colony, Jala Hobli, Bangalore North (Addl.) Taluk.

Whereas, the Appellants have instituted the above case filed assailing the Order dated 03.08.2016 passed by the 1st Respondent Authority in K.SC.ST. 53/2014-15 declaring the sale deeds dated 14.04.1956, 20.01.1965 and Will dated 22.01.2001 as null and void and further directing the Tahsildar, Bangalore East Taluk to resume and restore the land bearing Sy. No. 103/1 (New No. 103/P1), measuring 2 Acres, known as Lakeview Farm, situated at Ramagondanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now Bangalore East Taluk, in favour of Respondent No. 2 herein and to restore entries in favor of Respondent No. 2. You are hereby summoned to appear in this Authority in person or by pleader before the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore on 21.10.2020 at 3.00 p.m. to answer the same, failing which the Appeal will be disposed of ex parte.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court, this 15th day of September 2020.

By the Order of the Court
Sd/- Deputy Commissioner
Bangalore District, Bangalore.

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DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13 (2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **Housing Development Finance Corporation Ltd. (HDFC Limited)** under Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued Demand Notice under Section 13 (2) of the said Act, calling upon the Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) listed hereunder, to pay the amounts mentioned in the Demand Notice, within 60 days from the date of the said Notice, as per details given below. The undersigned have, caused/are getting the said Notice to be pasted on the premises of the last known respective addresses of the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s). Copies of the said Notice are available with the undersigned, and the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s), may, if they so desire, collect the respective copy from the undersigned on any working day during normal office hours.

In connection with the above, Notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) to pay to HDFC Limited, within 60 days from the date of publication of this Notice, the amount indicated hereinbelow in their name(s), together with further interest @ 18% p.a. as detailed in the said Demand Notice from the date mentioned below in column (c) till the date of payment and / or realisation, read with the loan agreement and other documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Borrower(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following Secured Asset has been mortgaged to HDFC Limited by the said Borrower (s) respectively.

Attention of the Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) is invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative (s)	Total Outstanding Dues	Date of Demand Notice	(Description of Secured Asset in respect of which Security Interest has been created)
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(f)
1	**Borrower: (1) Mrs. Kuttavila Angeline Raju,** No 202, 2nd Floor, Grace Garden Building, East Wing, Hensur Cross, Bengaluru 560043 **(2) Mrs. Kuttavila Angeline Raju,** #18, Ground Floor, Ramachandrappa Street, R S Palya, Kamanahalli Main Road, Bangalore 560033 **(3) Mrs. Kuttavila Angeline Raju,** Clininvent Research Pvt Ltd. **Designation:** Clinical Research AS **Department:** Clinical Research **Employee No:** 0301 No 214, Raheja Chambers 12, Museum Road, Bangalore 560001 **(4) Mrs. Kuttavila Angeline Raju** Iqvia RDS (India) Private Limited **Designation:** CML **Department:** CMSY **Employee No:** 2816664 1st Floor, Etamin Block, 5,Marathahalli O Prestige, Tech Park Kadubisanahalli, Marathahalli Outer Ring Road, Bengaluru-560037 **(5) Mrs. Kuttavila Angeline Raju** Flat No-303, 3rd Floor, Grace Garden II Apartment, Survey No. 34/9A, Hennur Village, KasabaHobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore 560043.	**Loan A/c No: (1) 613168662 Rs.20,11,666/- Loan A/c No: (2) 630943936 Rs.9,90,709/- Total Rs. 30,02,375/- (Rupees Thirty Lakhs Two Thousand Three Hundred Seventy Five Only) (as on 31.08.2020)**	07.09.2020 N.P.A. Date: (e) 31.01.2020	All that piece and parcel of Residential 2 Bed Room Apartment bearing No. 303, on the 3rdFloor, of West Wing, in the building known as "GRACE GARDEN II", having a super built up area of 1240 Sq. Feet along with one car parking space along with 2.55% of undivided share, right title and interest in the land where the building is constructed, equivalent to 382.60 Square Feet, bearing Khata No.683/TF-303 and situated at 3rd Cross, Hennur Main Road, Kalyan Nagar Post, Bangalore.
2	**Borrower: (1) Mr. Chakraverty Abhilash,** D-7, Venus Block Regency, Magnum Hennur Main Road, Banaswadi, Near Hennur ORR Cross, Bengaluru 560043 **(2) Mr. Chakraverty Abhilash** A-143, Belvedere Park DLF Phase III, Gurgaon 122021 **(3) Mr. Chakraverty Abhilash** Philips India Limited **Designation:** Product Manager **Designation:** BG US Value Marketing **Employee No.:** 40007211 Philips Innovation Campus Healthcare, Manyata Tech Park Nagavara, Bangalore 560045 **(4) Mr. Chakraverty Abhilash** Villa-66, Belmont –Villas, Kuduvathi Village,Nandi Hobli, Chikkaballapura Taluk& Dist , Bengaluru 562110	**Loan A/c No: 616398136 Rs.56,24,271/- (Rupees Fifty Six Lakhs Twenty Four Thousand Two Hundred Seventy One Only) (as on 31.07.2020)**	04.09.2020 N.P.A. Date: (e) 30.06.2020	**Schedule A Property:** All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted properties bearing Sy.No.50/3, measuring 1 acre and 18 Guntas, Sy.No.51, measuring 21 Guntas, Sy.No.52/1 measuring 37 Guntas, Sy.No.52/2 measuring 1 Acre and 02 Guntas, Sy.No.53/1 measuring 29 Guntas, Sy.No.53/2 measuring 14 Guntas, Sy.No.53/3 measuring 1 Acre and 06 Guntas, Sy.No.53/4 measuring 22 Guntas, Sy.No.53/5 measuring 35 Guntas, Sy.No.53/6 measuring 39 Guntas, Sy.No.57 measuring 1 Acre and 35 Guntas and another extent of 09 Guntas, Sy.No.62/3 measuring 8 Guntas, Sy.No.62/4 measuring 19½ Guntas, and Sy.No.62/5 measuring 18 Guntas in all measuring 14 Acres and 7½ Guntas, situated at Kuduvathi Village, Nandi Hobli, Chikkaballapura taluk and District and bounded on the East by : Sy.Nos.62/6,50/1 and 50/2 of Kuduvathi Village West by: Sy.No.60 (P) of Kuduvathi Village North by : Sy.Nos.56,50/1 and 54 of Kuduvathi Village, BHEL officers HBCS, South by : Road and Kempathimmanahalli Village Boundary. **Schedule B Property :** All that piece and parcel of the residential plot bearing No.66, measuring East to West 11.80 mtr., North 10.59 mtr. And South 8.21 mtr., totally measuring 110.92 Sq.mtr.(1189 sq.ft) at "BELMONT" Project, constructed on Schedule A property situated at Kuduvathi Village, Nandi Hobli, Chikkaballapura taluk and District and bounded on the: East by : Plot No.65, West By: Road, North by : Private Property, South by : 9 Mtr. Road
3	**Borrower: (1) Miss. Lakshmi P,** No 21, 1st Main Road, NR Colony, Near Syndicate Bank, Bengaluru 560019 **(2) Miss. Lakshmi P,** No 442, Ground Floor, 2nd Main Road, 2nd Cross, Thyagaraja Nagar, Near Vidyapeeta, Bengaluru 560028 **(3) Miss. Lakshmi P** Hiranmayi Softtech Solutions, Marvel Realtors & Developers. **Designation:** Proprietor No 1, 2nd Floor, Muniswamy Naidu Layout, Subramanyapura Post, Uttarahalli, Chikkalasandra, Bengaluru 560061 **(4) Miss. Lakshmi P,** Flat-H002, Ground Floor, BDA Flats Kengeri Plot 308, Valgerahalli, Kengeri Bangalore 560060.	**Loan A/c No: 617613654 Rs.12,46,533/- (Rupees Twelve Lakhs Forty Six Thousand Five Hundred Thirty Three Only) (as on 31.07.2020)**	12.08.2020 N.P.A. Date: (e) 31.07.2020	All that piece and parcel of the Property No.64, Flat bearing No.Bhadra.H.002, Formed in Sy.Nos.90/4, 90/3, 91/1A, 92/4, 92/5, Ground Floor, situated at Valagerahalli, Gnanabharathi Layout, 4th Block, Bangalore, Measuring: 34.46 Square Meters and constructed R.C.C Roofed Flat with all civic amenities, is bounded on the: East by : Bhadra.H.001, West by : Road, North by : Bhadra.H.003, And South by : Pathway.
4	**Borrower: (1) Mr. Vijay K. G.,** 207, B Block, 1st Floor, LE Grand Park View, R. R. Nagar, Bengaluru 560 098 **(2) Mr. Vijay K. G.** Sodexo Foods Solutions India Pvt. Ltd. **Designation:** Hospitality Manager **Department:** Cost Of Sales **Employee No. :** 1012000159 No 110/1, M. Krishnappa Layout Lalbagh Road, Bengaluru 560027 **(3) Mr. Vijay K. G.** S/O Govindaraju K. V. No KPD 135, KP Doddi Village, Kailancha Hobli, Ramanara Taluk, Kylacha, Bengaluru 562159 **(4) Mr. Vijay K. G.** Flat-104, Floor-A-4, Blk- A Unicon North Brooks 46 S No 4/4, VeeraSagar Village Attur Post,Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru 560063, **(Co-borrower) : (1) Mrs. Meghavathi A.,** 207, B Block, 1st Floor, Le Grand Park View R. R. Nagar, Bengaluru 560 098 **(2) Mrs. Meghavathi A.** C/O Mr. Vijay K G [s/o Govindaraju K. V.] No KPD 135, KP Doddi Village, KailanchaHobli, RamanaraTaluk, Kylacha, Bengaluru-562 159 **(3) Mrs. Meghavathi A.** Flat-104, A-Block, A-4 Floor, Unicon North Brooks 46, S No 4/4, VeeraSagar Village Attur Post, YelahankaHobli, Bengaluru 560 063 **(4) Mrs. Meghavathi A,** Outthinking Private Limited **Designation:** Software Engineer **Department:** IT Kasturinagar, East of NGEF Layout Kasturinagar, Banaswadi, 560 043.	**Loan A/c No: 628085349 Rs.52,68,957/- (Rupees Fifty Two Lakhs Sixty Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Seven Only) (as on 31.08.2020)**	04.09.2020 N.P.A. Date: (e) 31.07.2018	All that piece and parcel of Residential Apartment bearing No.104, in the A-4 Floor, of 'A' Block the building known as "UNICON NORTH BROOKS 46", having a super built up area of 1075 Sq. Feet, carpet area of 672.88 feet along with rights to use one car parking space with proportionate share of undivided share, right title and interest in the land measuring 3 Acres and 4 Guntas on which the building is constructed, which is situated at Survey No. 4/4, Veerasagara Village, Attur Post, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore.
5	**Borrower: (1) Mr.Shankar Suresh,** S/o Shankar Shastry, No.33, 22nd Main, Padmanabha Nagar, Bangalore 560 070. **(2) Mr. Shankar Suresh** Sri Nandi Green Sola **Designation:** Partner, No.713,6th 'B' Cross, Koramangala 3rd Block, Near BDA Complex, Bangalore 560034 **(3) Mr.Shankar Suresh,** Flat No.B1, 1st Floor, NYDUS Apartments, No.3/1, Richmond Town, Langford Garden, Bangalore 560 025 **Co-Borrower : (1) M/s Sri Nandi Green Solar,** No.713, 6th 'B' Cross, Koramangala 3rd Block, Near BDA Complex, Bangalore 560034 **(2) M/S Sri Nandi Green Solar** Nandi 25,4th B Cross Road, 2nd Stage, BTM Layout, Bangalore 560076 **(3) M/s Sri Nandi Green Solar,** Flat No.B1, 1st Floor, NYDUS Apartments, No.3/1, Richmond Town, Langford Garden, Bangalore 560 025	**Loan A/c No: 617196696 Rs.3,61,99,800/- (Rupees Three Crore Sixty One Lakhs Ninety Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Only) (as on 31.07.2020)**	04.08.2020 N.P.A. Date: (e) 30.06.2018	**SCHEDULE-'A':** All that piece and parcel of property bearing Municipal.3/1,situated at Langford Road/ Langford Garden, Municipal ward No.76 of Richmond Town, Bangalore 560025, and measuring Eastern side 53 ft.,Western side 16 ½ feet, Northern side 220 feet and on the Southern Side: 204 feet in all measuring 7051 Sq.Feet., and bounded by: East by : Property bearing No.8; West by : Road; North by : Property bearing No.3; and South by : Property bearing No.4. **SCHEDULE-'B' :** Equivalent to 717 Sq.Feet Undivided share, Right, Title, interest and Ownership in the Schedule 'A' Property. **SCHEDULE-'C' :** Residential Apartment No.B1 in First Floor of the Project known as "NYDUS" being built in the schedule 'A' Property and measuring 2,450 Sq.Feet of super built up area inclusive of proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircases and other areas of common use along with 1(One) covered Car Parking area in the Basement Floor.

*with further interest @ 18% p.a. as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and / or realization. If the said Borrower (s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) fail to make payment to HDFC Limited as aforesaid, then HDFC Limited shall proceed against the above Secured Asset / Immovable Property under Section 13 (4) of the said Act and the applicable Rules entirely at the risk of the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) as to the costs and consequences.

The said Borrower (s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) are prohibited under the said Act to transfer the aforesaid Secured Asset / Immovable Property, whether by way of sale, lease or otherwise without the prior written consent of HDFC Limited. Any person who contravenes or abets contravention of the provisions of the Act or Rules made thereunder shall be liable for imprisonment and/or penalty as provided under the Act.

Date: 17.09.2020
Place: Bangalore

For Housing Development Finance Corporation Ltd
Sd/- Authorised Officer,

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POSSESSION NOTICE (Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Property) (Symbolically)

Whereas the undersigned being the authorised officer of **The Bangalore City Co.operative Bank Ltd.,** A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18 under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002 (Ord. 3 of 2002) and in execrise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued and demand notice calling upon the undersigned borrowers/ legal heirs to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers /legal heirs having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers /legal heirs and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Ordinance read with rule 9 of the said rule.

The borrowers / legal heirs in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **The Bangalore City Co.operative Bank Ltd.,** A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Sl No	Name of the Loanee	Balance outstanding	Particulars of immovable Property
	SHANTHINAGAR BRANCH		
1	**Sri. Mohammed Zakriya**	**Demand Notice Dated : 18.06.2020 Possession Notice Dated: 14.09.2020 Balance outstanding: Rs. 9,61,950/- as on : 14.09.2020**	New No.4/1, (Old No.3/A), Arekempanahalli, BBMP Ward No. 61 of Mavalli, PID No.61-51-4/1, Bengaluru. **Measuring:** East to West : 61 feet & North to South : 50 feet **East by :** Road **West by :** Site No. 4 & Part portion's of Site No. 5 **North by :** 15 feet Drainage **South by :** Remaining portions of property No. 3A & 3B.
2	**Sri. Javeed Ahmed Khan**	**Demand Notice Dated : 18.06.2020 Possession Notice Dated: 14-09-2020 Balance outstanding: Rs. 11,89,370/- as on : 14.09.2020**	New Municipal No. 27/1, East Street, (Vajruputtana Garden), Neelasandra Ward No. 69, PID No. 69-18-27/1, Bengaluru. **Measuring:** East : 15 feet 6 Inches & West : 15 feet 6 Inches, North : 49 feet, South : 49 feet. **East by :** Lane **West by :** Ahmed Khan's Garden **North by :** Portion of the above said premises **South by :** Oomer Khan's House
3	**Sri. Venkatesh. A (Deceased) Legal Representative : 1) Jayalakshmi (Wife), 2) Shashi Kumar B V(Son), 3) Santhosh Kumar B V (Son) , 4) Mangala B.V (Daughter)**	**Demand Notice Dated : 18.06.2020 Possession Notice Dated: 14-09-2020 Balance outstanding: Rs. 68,52,722/- as on : 14.09.2020**	Municipal No. 19 (Old No. 05), 2nd Cross Road, 1st Block, Jayanagar, East Taluk, PID No. 60-15-19, BMP Ward No. 60, Pattabhiramnagar, Bengaluru **Measuring:** East to West : 22 feet & North to South : 60 feet **East by :** Passage **West by :** Munirathnamma's House **North by :** Road **South by :** Private property

Date : 16.09.2020
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
The Bangalore City Co-operative Bank Ltd.,

HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORPORATION LTD. CIN L70100MH1977PLC019916

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POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas the Authorised Officer of Housing Development Finance Corporation Limited, under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notice under Section 13 (2) of the said Act, calling upon the following borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s) to pay the amounts mentioned against their respective names together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices, within 60 days from the date of the said Notice/s, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc till the date of payment and / or realisation.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower (s) / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s)	Outstanding Dues	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Description of the Property
1	**Borrower Mr. Shetty Shridhar Vittal Co-Borrower Mrs. Shetty Saraswathi Shridhar**	**Loan A/c No.: 620892150 Rs.5,04,55,961/- (Rupees Five Crore Four Lakhs Fifty Five Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty One Only) as on 31.12.2019**	02.01.2020	**Symbolic Possession Date: 16.09.2020.**	**SCHEDULE'A' :** All that piece and parcel of lands measuring (1) 05 Acres 20 Guntas in Sy.No.250, (2) 04 Acres 03 Guntas in Sy.No.251, (3) 04 Acres 02 Guntas in Sy.No.252, (4) 00 Acres 06 Guntas in Sy.No.264/4, (5) 00 Acres 05 Guntas in Sy.No.264/5, (6) 00 Acres 02 Guntas in Sy.No.264/6, (7) 00 Acres 03 Guntas in Sy.No.264/7, (8) 00 Acres 02 Guntas in Sy.No.264/8, and (9) 00 Acres 03 Guntas in Sy.No.264/9, in all measuring 14 Acres 06 Gunata (less 16,123.19 Sq.Mts. surrendered to Hosakote Town Planning Authority and less 2,402.80 Sq. Mts.,area reserved for Club House) situated at Samathenahalli Village, Anugondanahalli Hobli,Hoskote Taluk, duly converted for non–agricultural purpose vide Order bearing (1) No.ALN.SR.(H).11/1994-95 dated 06/11/1994 issued by the Sub-Divisional Officer, Doddaballapur Sub-Division and (2) No.ALN.SR.(HO). 08/2012-13 dated 03/09/2012 by the Principal Deputy Commmissioner, Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore and presently bearing Panchayath Katha No (i) 375/433/144 (ii) 377/435/145, (iii) 376/434/144 and (iv) 324/264/4/5/6/7/8/9/927/326, in the records maintained by Samathenahalli Grama Panchayath,Hoskote Taluk and bounded by: East : Land in Sy.No.263 and Property belonging to M/s Shiva Steels and Property of Sri. Ramaswamy Iyengar and Sri.Venkataramappa. West : Koraluru Village boundary and land in Sy.No.206, North : Road, South: Property of Sri. Kurubara Chikkanna. **SCHEDULE 'B' :** All that 6,566 Sq.Ft. of undivided share in schedule 'A' Property which includes Villa Plot area of 4,354 Sq. Ft. bearing No.03, measuring on the Eastern side 50.85 feet on the Western side 50.85 feet on the Northern side 85.62 feet and on the Southern side 85.62 feet and bounded by: East : Park & Open Space 1 West : Internal Driveway, North : Villa 02 South : Villa 04 **SCHEDULE 'C':** All that Residential Villa of Type CANOPIA Bearing No.03 consisting of a Lower Ground Floor, Ground Floor, First Floor and Second Floor being built on the Schedule 'B' property admeasuring 6,660 Sq.Ft.along with a garage space for parking of vehicles.
2	**Borrower Mr. Devashish Chaubey**	**Loan A/c No.: 618589138 Rs.8,34,41,705/- (Rupees Eight Crores Thirty Four Lakhs Forty One Thousand Seven Hundred and Five Only) as on 30.06.2020**	30.06.2020	**Physical Possession Date: 16.09.2020.**	**SCHEDULE 'A' :** All that piece and parcel of lands measuring (1) 05 Acres 20 Guntas in Sy.No.250, (2) 04 Acres 03 Guntas in Sy.No.251, (3) 04 Acres 02 Guntas in Sy.No.252, (4) 00 Acres 06 Guntas in Sy.No.264/4, (5) 00 Acres 05 Guntas in Sy.No.264/5, (6) 00 Acres 02 Guntas in Sy.No.264/6, (7) 00 Acres 03 Guntas in Sy.No.264/7, (8) 00 Acres 02 Guntas in Sy.No.264/8, and (9) 00 Acres 03 Guntas in Sy.No.264/9, in all measuring 14 Acres 06 Gunata (less 16,123.19 Sq.Mts. surrendered to Hosakote Town Planning Authority and less 2,402.80 Sq. Mts.,area reserved for Club House) situated at Samathenahalli Village, Anugondanahalli Hobli,Hoskote Taluk, duly converted for non–agricultural purpose vide Order bearing (1) No.ALN.SR.(H).11/1994-95 dated 06/11/1994 issued by the Sub-Divisional Officer, Doddaballapur Sub-Division and (2) No.ALN.SR.(HO).08/2012-13 dated 03/09/2012 by the Principal Deputy Commmissioner, Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore and presently bearing Panchayath Katha No (i) 375/433/144 (ii) 377/435/145, (iii) 376/434/144 and (iv) 324/264/4/5/6/7/8/9/927/326, in the records maintained by Samathenahalli Grama Panchayath,Hoskote Taluk and bounded by: East : Land in Sy.No.263 and Property belonging to M/s Shiva Steels and Property of Sri.Ramaswamy Iyengar and Sri.Venkataramappa. West: Koraluru Village Boundary and Land in Sy.No.206, North : Road, South: Property of Sri.Kurubara Chikkanna. **SCHEDULE 'B':** All that 14,712 Sq.Ft. of undivided share in schedule 'A' Property which includes Villa Plot area of 9,745 Sq. Ft. bearing No.24, measuring on the Eastern side 134.10 feet on the Western side 101.35 feet on the Northern side 159.90 feet and on the Southern side 39.70 feet and bounded by: East : Internal Driveway, West: Road, North: Property Boundary and Koraluru Village Boundary, South : Internal Driveway. **SCHEDULE 'C' :** All that Residential Villa of Type LUMERIA bearing No.24 consisting of a Lower Ground Floor, Ground Floor, First Floor and Second Floor being built on the Schedule 'B' property admeasuring 8,699 Sq. Ft. along with a garage space for parking of vehicles.

*with further interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and / or realisation.

However, since the borrower mentioned hereinabove have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby given to the borrower mentioned hereinabove in particular and to the public in general that the Authorised Officer/s of HDFC have taken above said mentioned possession of the immovable property (ies) / secured asset(s) described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him/them under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on the dates mentioned above.

The borrower mentioned hereinabove in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid Immovable Property(ies) / Secured Asset(s) and any dealings with the said Immovable Property (ies) / Secured Asset(s) will be subject to the mortgage of Housing Development Finance Corporation Ltd.

Borrower(s) attention is/are invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset/s.

Copies of the Pnachanma drawn and Inventory made are available with the undersigned, and the said Borrower is requested to collect the respective copy from the undersigned on any working day during normal office hours.

Date: 17.09.2020
Place: Bangalore

Sd/-Authorised Officer
HDFC Ltd. under SARFAESI Act, 2002

BMTC and KSRTC are extending free travel for SSLC students who will be writing their supplementary exams from September 21-28. Students can commute to the alloted centres and may avail free travel upon verifiying their hall ticket or student ID

Karnataka is keen to fast-track the drinking water and hydro power project at Mekedatu in the Cauvery basin | EXPRESS

Clear Mekedatu project, Jarkiholi tells Union Govt

Minister to meet Javadekar for eco clearance

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AMID opposition from the neighbouring Tamil Nadu government, Karnataka on Wednesday urged the Central government to clear the Mekedatu balancing reservoir project near Kanakapura.

Karnataka Water Resources Minister Ramesh Jarkiholi on Wednesday met Union Minister for Jal Shakthi Gajendra Singh Shekhawat in New Delhi and requested him to clear the project and issue a notification.

During his visit to the project site in Ramanagara district on Monday, Jarkiholi stated that the Union Jal Shakti ministry has already approved the construction of the dam and he will meet Union Minister Prakash Javadekar and push for clearances from the Environment and Forest departments.

A detailed project report for the Rs 9,000 crore project is ready and awaits final clearances.

Karnataka is keen to fast-track the drinking water and hydro power project in the Cauvery basin that includes a balancing reservoir with a storage capacity of 66 tmcft at Mekedatu in Kanakapura taluk, around 90 km from Bengaluru.

During his meeting with Shekhawat, Jarkiholi appealed for the declaration of the Upper Bhadra Project as a national project and also discussed the Krishna Water Dispute Tribunal Award and Kalasa Banduri diversion project in Belagavi district.

Jarkiholi also urged the Centre to release its share of Rs 218.97 crore for the Narayanpur Left Bank Canal project, said an official from the water resources department.

Encroachments: K'taka temples to be surveyed

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THE endowments department plans to survey all its properties to find out encroachments and other unauthorised usage, as the Wakf Board.

Properties owned by the endowments department include wedding halls, community halls, vacant land, 34,559 temples, of which 175 are Class A (annual revenue above Rs 25 lakh), 163 are Class B (annual income between Rs 5 lakh and Rs 25 lakh) and 34,221 are Class C temples (annual income less than Rs 5 lakh). Most properties are owned by Class A and Class B temples such as Kukke Subrahmanya in Dakshina Kannada, Chamundeshwari Temple in Mysuru, and Kollur Mookambika Temple in Udupi.

Endowments Department Commissioner Rohini Sindhuri told *TNIE* that they plan to digitise all records and conduct the survey. "There are many encroachments. If we can conduct a survey like the Wakf Board did, where Deputy Commissioners too reviewed the districts, we will have clarity on the extent of encroachments," she said.

The department had put the plan in motion before the Covid-19 pandemic hit. "We had written to the revenue department requesting surveyors. But we could not take it up due to the pandemic. Just 20 days ago, one surveyor was deputed. The endowments Department has property worth over Rs 10,000 lakh crore and it is not humanly possible for one surveyor to do all the work," a senior department official told *TNIE*.

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Rohini Sindhuri, Endowments Department Commissioner

In 2010, the then chairman of the Minorities Commission Anwar Manippady had submitted a report to then Chief Minister D V Sadananda Gowda listing thousands of acres of Wakf Board land which had been encroached or sold illegally. The report also named several politicians.

In 2013, the Siddaramaiah-led state government had constituted a task force to conduct a comprehensive survey of land belonging to the Wakf Board. The board owns about 41,000 properties and the survey revealed thousands of their properties were encroached, which they then began clearing.

Domestic air traffic dips across country

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DOMESTIC air traffic across the country for August had recorded 28.32 lakh passengers, a 76% drop compared to same period last year, as per a monthly report released on Wednesday by the country's aviation regulator. The passenger load factor has witnessed some improvement since July.

As per the figures released by the Director General of Civil Aviation on Wednesday, the figures for August 2019 stood at 117.93 lakh as compared to 28.32 lakh last month.

Private airlines carried 25.54 lakh passengers, while Air India ferried 2.78 lakh passengers. IndiGo took the maximum number of passengers at 16.82 lakh, SpiceJet flew 3.91 lakh passengers, Air Asia 1.92 lakh, Vistara 1.42 lakh and GoAir 1.33 lakh. The performance of airlines was highest in Hyderabad with 93.1% punctuality followed by Bengaluru at 88.5%.

CROWDS AND COVID

After the Tamil Nadu government eased Covid restrictions, Ranganathan Street in Chennai was congested as people thronged the market on Wednesday | MARTIN LOUIS

Tirupati MP dies after cardiac arrest

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TIRUPATI MP **Balli Durga Prasad Rao** died of cardiac arrest on Wednesday at a private hospital in Chennai. The 64-year-old YSRC MP won from Tirupati SC reserved constituency in the 2019 elections. He tested positive for Covid-19 and was shifted to a hospital in Chennai for treatment 15 days ago. He is survived by his wife, two sons and a daughter.

He hailed from Venkatagiri in Nellore district. He was a follower of senior leader Nallapureddy Srinivasulu Reddy, with whose support he entered politics. Durga Prasad was an ardent disciple of TDP founder late NT Rama Rao.

Condoling the death of the MP, Prime Minister Narendra Modi tweeted, "Saddened by the demise of Lok Sabha MP, Balli Durga Prasad Rao Garu. He was an experienced leader, who made effective contributions towards the progress of Andhra Pradesh. My thoughts are with his family and well-wishers in this sad hour. Om Shanti."

HDK raises questions over study's objectivity

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EXPRESSING doubts about the objectivity of the proposed study, he questioned, "Is it possible to conduct a fair and unbiased study of Karnataka's culture and heritage without having Kannadiga representatives in the committee? How can we think of studying the history and culture of the entire country by keeping South Indians out?" He said the committee is full of those who appear to be having prejudices over culture, history and heritage, besides being fully occupied by north Indians.

Senior Congress leader and former Chief Minister M Veerappa Moily too questioned the very purpose and motive for constituting such a committee. "If there is any committee without representation from South India, which has always sustained the civilisation and culture of India, it means to say they are not genuinely interested to study," Moily said.

Data of four firms at risk

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"PLEASE note that you'll (sic) never recover your data without payment. Check your email 'spam' or 'junk' folder if you don't get an answer more than 6 hours (sic). To get this software you need (sic) write on our e-mail: helpmanager@mail.ch. Reserve email address to contact us: restoremanager@airmail.cc," said the message.

The server that was subjected to cyber phishing had data including Income Tax information, Tally sales and purchase data of four companies -- Manipal Institute of Computer Education, Sun Micro Tec IT Solution, Sun Micro Tec Computer Service and Micro Tec Information Technology, which have all been lost to cyber crime.

"Clicks on unknown emails will result in such hacking. People must not open emails from suspicious IDs and persons," said Chandrashekar, who is also Kodagu district IT Association president.

Presence of banned drug in cattle carcasses killing vultures, say experts

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ONE safe drug – Meloxicam -- has been identified and things are looking slightly more positive as this becomes more common.

This study was undertaken by the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds' Centre for Conservation Science, the Bombay Natural History Society, Bird Conservation Nepal, IUCN Bangladesh and the University of Cambridge. According to a covert probe led by this group, more than a decade after being banned, diclofenac is still being prescribed across the country. In 2003, the widespread use of diclofenac in cattle was discovered to be decimating the Asian vultures after entering its food chain.

Despite the ban, cattle carcasses continued to be found containing lethal concentrations of diclofenac along with contaminated, dead vultures. Worryingly, their populations were not showing significant signs of recovery. Chris Bowden, Programme Manager of Saving Asia's Vultures from Extinction, said, "The importance of these results is emphasised by the most recently published nationwide population surveys of vultures in India and Nepal. In India, they either continue to decline or, at best, are stable but at low levels and not yet showing signs of a recovery."

The Bombay Natural History Society has been conducting surveys every four years and their studies too have revealed the causes of mortality. Dr Vibhu Prakash, Deputy Director, said, "Although diclofenac, which is the most toxic drug to vultures, has been the main focus of our advocacy work, our study recorded 11 different NSAIDs, of which five are already known to be toxic to vultures. We keep monitoring the prevalence of diclofenac in cattle and sometimes found overdoses. Unfortunately, anybody can buy these drugs for treatment of cattle. But now three more drugs need to be restricted and banned."

Dr H S Prayag, veterinary expert, said, "A good number of samples have been tested for vulture poisoning. We found the cattle laced with poison (to kill tigers) has indirectly killed vultures. So, the need of the hour is that vets should conduct a post-mortem of dead vultures when tigers are poisoned."

In this backdrop, scientists have called upon the state governments to strictly restrict or ban veterinary use of those drugs that are toxic to vultures.

EXPRESS READ

TN Govt firm on two-language policy

Chennai: Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Edappadi K Palaniswami and School Education Minister KA Sengottaiyan told the State Assembly on Wednesday that the government was firm on the two-language policy. They said further action regarding the National Education Policy would be taken following the recommendations of the two committees, constituted to study the policy. **ENS**

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Department of Tourism, Government of Odisha invites proposals from reputed agencies for organizing Eco Retreats (Glamping Event) 2020-21 at Multiple Locations in Odisha through Viability Gap Funding (VGF) mode. Interested bidders may download the RFP document from tender section of Department of Tourism website - **https://dot.odishatourism.gov.in/?q=tender.**

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Sl No.	Date of Loan	Account No.	Name of The Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor	Address	Secured Asset	Date of Demand Notice	Loan Amount	Amount Outstanding
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2.	25\10\2017	XOHEHAS00002155692	1. Manjula M S 2. Shivakumar L 3. Ravishankar H S 4. Chandrashekar K S	#41, Guddenahalli Koppalu Thannirhalla, Hassan - 573201	All that piece and parcel of house property bearing khata No.55 and property No.75 built on site measuring east to west 40 feet and north to south 60 feet with the constructed plinth area of 1260 square feet ground floor and 1260 square feet first floor R.C.C., building situated at Guddenahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Hassan taluk, within the limits of Manachinahalli Grama Panchayathi and bounded on: East: House of Parveen Taj, West: House of Lakshmegowda, North: House of Ajiz Saheb, South: Road.	18.08.2020	Rs.4800000/-	Rs.5393031.95/- as on 28.02.2020 with further interest thereon.

The Under signed is the Authorised Officer of Cholamandalam Investment And Finance Company Limitedhereinafter called the secured creditor, under Rule 2(a) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules framed under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

In pursuant to loan agreement on the dates mentioned in column (A) the above named borrowers in column (C) residing at the address in column (D) were sanctioned loans indicated in column (G) in loan account number indicated in column (B). Towards the due repayment of loan, equitable mortgage by deposit of title deeds of the assets in column (E) was created by the borrowers.

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In addition the above named borrowers shall not alienate by way of transfer, sale, lease or otherwise or create third party interest or dealing with the Secured Asset in column (E) mentioned against the name of the each borrowers in any manner except with specific prior written permission of the Secured creditor.

Date : 17.09.2020 **AUTHORISED OFFICER**
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Sl. No	Name of Work	Approximate value of work including G.S.T. (Rs. In Lakhs)	Amount of Earnest Money Deposit in Rupees	Period of Completion
1.	Construction of first floor building, retaining wall approach road, garage, cycle shed, pavement, drainage arrangements and compound wall to the Government Industrial Training Institute at Kolli hills in Namakkal District.	515.00	2,68,000/-	9 Months

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Superintending Engineer, P.W.D., (i/c)
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Chief Engineer (i/c),
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EDITORIAL

It is extremely difficult to stay alert and attentive, instead of getting hypnotised by the constant monologue inside your own head. ... The really important kind of freedom involves attention and awareness and discipline

David Foster Wallace

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— Ramnath Goenka

VISIBLE POLICE BIAS IN PROBE INTO DELHI ANTI-CAA RIOTS

In a telling commentary on the Delhi Police's investigation into the communal riots in the national capital in February, the Delhi High Court, while granting bail to Devangana Kalita, an accused, severely pulled up the police for not producing material evidence to show that she instigated women of a particular community that led to the death of a youth in the riots. The court pointed out that Kalita had neither tried to evade arrest nor had she tampered with evidence and influenced witnesses as charged by the police. Although the trial into the more than 700 cases is still in the initial stages and there is much to be proved, the court's observations only seem to buttress what activists, the media and opposition parties have long said—that the police investigation is biased, motivated and one-sided.

The riots took place in the backdrop of the protests against the Citizenship Amendment Act. It speaks of the bias of the police that BJP leader Kapil Mishra, whose incendiary speech to his followers on February 23 is alleged to have sparked the communal clashes, has not been named in any of the riots cases while anti-CAA protesters like CPM leader Sitaram Yechury, Yogendra Yadav and academics Apoorvanand and Jayati Ghosh find themselves in a supplementary charge sheet. It is, therefore, not without reason that many have alleged that it is an attempt to deny citizens their democratic right to stage protests.

It is well known that the police and other law enforcement agencies are completely subservient to the ruling party of the day. The only way to make the police abide by the Constitution and the oath that they take to serve without fear or favour is to insulate them from the political class. Transfers, postings and promotions have to be free of political interference. In a far-sighted judgment in 2006, the Supreme Court had ordered the setting up of state boards to decide transfers and postings, fixed tenure for police officers and separation of investigation from law and order. None of the states have implemented any of the suggestions, ensuring that the police remain a pliable tool in the hands of the politicians to browbeat and silence critics.

ENSURE UNIFORM ACCESS TO QUALITY EDU

Education is said to be a great equaliser. But a high degree of inequity exists right within our educational system. The most-obvious disparity is in the quality. Access to quality education is hampered by a multitude of factors. The most important ones are the lack of a universal board of education and rampant commodification in the sector. The current commotion being witnessed in Tamil Nadu around the common medical entrance test, NEET, has its origins here.

Ensuring quality in education is currently hampered by the inefficiency in monitoring multiple boards of education, qualification of teachers in those boards, and the quality of syllabus and physical infrastructure. A case in point is the Annual Status of Education Report released in January this year, which shows almost four out of 10 children in Class 1 across India cannot even recognise letters in their textbooks. The problem: lack of quality control.

There is a dire need for India to have a common education board going forward. This is crucial to ensure education, including in science and maths, is uniform in quality. Such a policy change will have a major impact in states like TN and make students ready for any common exams, without having to depend on private coaching classes.

In several states, CBSE education is only available to those who can afford the premium fees of top-end schools. For instance, in TN, most low-cost schools prefer other curricula due to easy availability of teachers, resources and other logistics. Unfortunately, the Centre's Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas—that provide highly subsidised education to rural and tribal children in CBSE curriculum—are conspicuously absent in TN. To ensure that the poor across India continue to enjoy access to professional courses, it's important to bring all formats of free or subsidised education in India under one umbrella. As it is a subject in the Concurrent List, the Centre and states must work together to ensure that all children have uniform access to quality education. Until that happens, common entrance tests such as NEET will be exclusionary in nature.

The major difference between earlier media trials and the current obsession is that in the past, so many millions never neglected graver issues for titillations on television

TV NEWS SPECTACLE IS A DANGEROUS DISTRACTION

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Retired civil servant. Former Culture Secretary and ex-CEO, Prasar Bharati

TAPAS RANJAN

No, I am neither going to attack nor defend Rhea Chakraborty or Kangana Ranaut. The very fact that they are hogging prime time is repugnant to those who look forward to news for information. For entertainment, there are endless frothy soap operas and many love to see merciless boxing and wrestling matches as proxies for their suppressed rage. But when news television subsumes these genres, it cheats and misleads a nation.

This is certainly not the first time that a real-life thriller has gripped India's attention. We have had scandals in the past and newspapers sizzled long before the republic of television squatted over most of media space. Old-timers recall the Haridas Mundhra scam of 1958, using which Feroze Gandhi compelled Pandit Nehru to drop his powerful finance minister, TTK. Sons-in-law embarrassed the dynasty even then and Feroze did more than just lend his name to a lineage. There was also the Nagarwala scandal and many others, all the way through Bofors, 2G and AgustaWestland. When television arrived in this country, it was the government's megaphone and Doordarshan could obviously not vilify its master. But as soon as private television reached adolescence, around the turn of the millennium, it went hammer and tongs at the establishment, attacking the immunity that its scions flaunted. Newspapers and television, more so the latter, whipped up a synchronised public demand for Manu Sharma's severe punishment for murdering Jessica Lal. This is when Western cultural motifs like candlelight processions and heaping floral wreaths sneaked quietly into our culture. In 1999, another outrage, the notorious BMW hit-and-run case, also angered people as the print media and the silver screen exposed how Sanjeev Nanda was unrepentant even after killing six innocent people. A dedicated television churned public indignation at the privileged class invariably manipulating the highly malleable system to get culprits off the hook. Even then, it took seven years to convict Manu Sharma and nine years to bring Sanjeev Nanda to book.

The point is that while the media went doggedly on its mission, the nation was never so mesmerised by infallible television oracles as it appears to be now—when three certainly more critical issues are crying for people's attention. These are, obviously, the unstoppable gallop of Covid infections that hit a whooping one lakh people every day; the damaged economy that reels under an almost 40% fall in GDP (that includes the estimates of the informal sector) and the Chinese menace at the border that threatens us with a completely unaffordable war. The major difference with earlier trials on television and the current obsession with Rhea or Kangana is that in the past, so many millions never neglected graver issues for titillations on TV. There were also no such fierce, blood pressure-bursting television anchors who have already decided the Sushant Singh Rajput case far better than more qualified legal luminaries. It doesn't matter now if it is really dirty Centre-state politics or staged with an eye on the Bihar elections.

Kangana Ranaut entered the arena to settle her personal and experience-based scores with Bollywood, Mumbai and Maharashtra. Storm-troopers of the local ruling party stepped in immediately with ham-handed and intemperate actions that reminded us that these were, indeed, the party's trademark tactics ages ago. This lamentable side-story notwithstanding, the main Sushant case has steadily degenerated from an understandable insistence on justice into a deeply troubling television-inspired bloodthirsty 'revenge'. Do we need the Narcotics Control Bureau to catch just a few grams of a widely abused drug?

Even courts appear fed up and unless they intervene, or the IPL deflects public attention, it may be difficult to rescue many from obsessive neurosis

To trace the roots of how TV could rock regimes, we need to zoom to September 2010, when Commonwealth Games scandals led steadily to the first television-led demand for the head of a politician, Suresh Kalmadi. This high-profile campaign revealed that television had surely graduated from chasing spoilt rich brats to hunting big game. Pressure kept mounting until Kalmadi was finally arrested in April 2011. Television had tasted blood and trial by media emerged as a weapon more potent than mere scam-busting. Then, Nirbhaya's brutal rape galvanised the nation and the wide coverage and support that Anna Hazare's moral movement received reflected people's collective disgust. The then CAG added dollops of fat to the crackling fire as he rattled out eye-popping figures of deliberate losses made by the government. Not all numbers could later be confirmed, but facts really do not matter. Rapes continue unabated long after poor Nirbhaya. Anna's agitation abated but two rather-clever bureaucrats grabbed a chief minister's chair and a governor's throne. The ex-CAG was, of course, rewarded quite handsomely by those who benefitted. Television channels earned a lot due to rocketing TRPs from the melodrama they doled out with unmistakable showmanship.

Rajput's case is tricky, but what a good team of detectives could perhaps solve has now been entrusted to three powerful central agencies, while a hysterical media sensationalises every step. Maybe because 'causes' have disappeared ever since the government itself went on 'mission mode against corruption', the bottled-up negative energies required an outlet that television provided. But the endless hissing whistles of the pressure cooker may also indicate something more dangerous for regimes and for society.

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(Tweets @jawharsircar)

THE PROBLEMS WITH CENTRE'S 'HEALTH ID FOR EACH CITIZEN' PLAN

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A Delhi-based advocate

Just imagine, if at the beginning of the ongoing pandemic, India had the entire health history of its citizens digitised—every visit to a doctor, along with every prescription, every vaccination, every allergy. Now just imagine if all this data could be fed into an artificial intelligence software, which would then narrow down on the health factors common to those people who contracted the virus or to those who succumbed to it.

Did they all have certain common health conditions in the past? What about the prevalence, as well as severity, among people who were vaccinated against other illnesses, the BCG vaccine, for instance? This data analytics, then, in turn could be used by policymakers to proactively protect citizens—give advance care to those in vulnerable categories, for instance. Or just as likely (assuming stone-hearted economists were in charge of policy), deny the limited medical resources to those from categories with low rates of recovery.

Much can be said in favour of centralised digitisation of all health records and bringing all citizens on to a common digital platform. Yet, the Central government's most recent plan to create a Health ID for each citizen has raised several concerns: Are we ready as a country for such a system? Is it secure enough? Will it end up widening inequalities? To dismiss these as Luddite objections to progress through technology is foolhardy.

The scheme in a nutshell: The Health Data Management Policy (HDMP) proposes to create Health IDs for patients as well as for health practitioners and facilities, a repository to store health data digitally, in addition to a mechanism to access and use such data by different participants. To be sure, the policy also proposes salutary privacy measures—the Health ID can be cancelled by the patient at any time, and the data attached to their ID removed. The policy is explicit that the system cannot be exclusionary—you cannot be denied healthcare, or the ability to practice, for want of a Health ID. Data intermediaries must obtain consent, which must be informed, and records of the consent must be maintained.

The policy also provides additional protection for the processing of sensitive personal information—such as religion and sexual orientation. (An early controversy was that the policy made it mandatory for patients to share such data. It certainly does not!). So what are the objections?

Privacy concerns: One of the prime criticisms is that this widespread data collection and processing is happening without a privacy law in place. Let us for the purpose of this article assume that the government will pass the required legislation. But even then, health information can be such that many data principals will be embarrassed, were it to become known—through a leak or even through routine processing. An abortion, a failed suicide attempt, treatment for sexual assault or mental illness—all of these might be captured in the repository.

Even if the data were protected as it is intended, it could still result in harm. Imagine a data intermediary who employs analytics to predict consumer behaviour and offers its services to banks. So a borrower with a history of mental illness could find bank loans denied on that very count, or their insurance premiums very high.

Any benefit that may accrue to patients under the proposed Health Data Management Policy is, at best, derivative. On the contrary, it risks widening existing inequalities

The government's answer to this is to assure us that one can choose not to be a part of the ecosystem and that the policy clearly spells out its non-exclusionary ethos. This argument is illusory on two counts. Firstly, the experience of Aadhaar is cautionary. Even as Aadhaar continues to be branded as voluntary, several examples have emerged over the last year showing it to be mandatory for availing services (for instance, the Delhi HC recently mandated Aadhaar to be furnished to avail Covid testing in the capital). Another disincentive against opting out could come in the form of private pressures. Suppose your insurance provider charges you a higher premium for not having a Health ID (the insurer's risks are lesser if it knows your health history better), resistance will wear thin.

The risk of exclusion can have unintended effects. There are those who might choose to not avail treatment if it means becoming a permanent record, as has already been seen among patients suffering from stigmatised diseases such as HIV or even tuberculosis. And these are still middle-class concerns. The risk of exclusion it poses to the poorest Indians, who need healthcare coverage the most, is a topic of its own.

So who stands to gain?

Any analysis of policy must focus on who the actual beneficiaries would be. What the HDMP does is create a framework for the collection, sharing and processing of data—mostly by private players. Any benefit that might accrue to the patient is derivative. Imagine Facebook's business model: A free service, where your data which you willingly share with/on the website is spliced and diced and sold to advertisers so that they can target you specifically.

The real benefits from the HDMP would be to enable private players, including tech-powered start-ups, to provide services around healthcare. But just like in the case of Facebook, you, the user, are the product. The product (information about your ability to repay, your risk profile, etc.) is sold to companies that you deal with (banks, etc). In all likelihood, this will only contribute to greater exclusion of those who fall outside the ideal customer profile for these companies.

Tech evangelists would like us all to believe that technology will make life better for all of us. And it does, undoubtedly. But any benefit to the Indian consumer will be if the government uses technology to proactively provide services and infrastructure support. The proposed policy does nothing of that sort.

(Tweets @ebbruz)

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Doval was right to walk out

Pakistan displayed a fictitious map showing India's established territories as part of itself at a Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) meeting. This is an act of deliberate provocation from our errant neighbour. India's National Security Adviser Ajit Doval walking out of the meeting was the correct action.

P P Sahadevan, Nileshwar

Pak only a proxy for China

India rightly walked out of the SCO meet in protest against Pakistan's fictitious map. It is clear that Pakistan was acting as a proxy for its all-weather friend China, which has been instrumental in pushing even an ally like Nepal against India with false and fabricated territorial claims.

Sudhakar Cherukunnu, Kannur

Discussion on LAC situation

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh's statement in Parliament that India is committed to peace but is prepared to face any challenge is what is in the mind of every proud Indian. But the Speaker's denial of any discussion on the LAC situation casts a shadow over this. There are questions one expects the opposition to ask, like the level of Chinese intrusion into our territory. People have a right to know the ground reality.

Capt Raju Mathai (Retd), Kochi

SC decision welcome

The Supreme Court restraining episodes of Sudarshan TV's show that could create divisive tendencies in society is welcome. Any freedom that creates division in society cannot be permitted.

Dharmarajan A K, Thalassery

Do something at least now

This is with reference to *Insensitivity towards deaths of migrant workers* (Sep 16). The editorial has thrown light on the indifferent response of the labour ministry. It has also shown the way to gather the data of migrant deaths that will aid in their families receiving compensation. The authorities must do something about this at least now.

Narayani P, Mayiladuthurai

What is ministry's purpose?

The editorial was a much-needed slap on the face of the labour ministry. It was irresponsible of the concerned minister to say the government did not have the data on migrant workers who returned home during the lockdown and the number of deaths. What is this ministry meant for then, if not for their welfare?

C G Kuriakose, Kothamangalam

Pay workers their wages

The news that people working under the MNREGS have not been paid their wages is quite shocking. The pending wages have now risen to ₹781 crore. Despite the DBT facility, the Centre failing to pay wages is appalling. Keeping in mind the pandemic, the state of the economy and rising unemployment, the government needs to address this issue. The sooner it clears the defaults, the faster the economy can get back on track.

Manseet Swaroop, Bhubaneswar

Clear the backlog

If such a big chunk of money like ₹781 crore has been withheld, it may be due to corruption of some sort. The Centre must look into this issue and clear the backlog.

M S R Rao, Bengaluru

Covid's long-term impact

This is with reference to *How Covid hits the heart and what that means* (Sep 15). Apart from the acute effects of the coronavirus on various organs, what is worrying doctors is the chronic effects it leaves on them, especially on the heart. Will these long-term effects call for more organ transplants in those cured of Covid? As it is, lung transplants have already been performed on some.

Dr George Jacob, Kochi

Novel incentive

A Puducherry MLA's move to offer people free 5 kg rice bags in exchange for getting tested for the virus is a novel and timely incentive. This offer will greatly motivate those from the lower strata to avail this opportunity and get tested.

N Visveswaran, Chennai

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

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Oppn takes govt to task for not consulting states on lockdown

Had Centre taken states into confidence, migrants wouldn't have suffered, MPs say in RS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

THE opposition on Wednesday cornered the government in Parliament over sudden lockdown, migrant deaths due to Covid-19 induced lockdown and failure to provide financial assistance to states to fight the pandemic.

During a discussion on the pandemic in the Rajya Sabha, opposition leaders targeted the Centre for not taking state governments into confidence while imposing lockdown. Congress leader Anand Sharma said the country was ready for a lockdown, but the states should have been taken into confidence — that would have taken care of problems faced by the migrant labourers. "We can't deny that the image of India that was seen abroad was of migrant workers in distress. Also, if quarantine centres were set up in advance, the disease may not have reached villages," he said.

Calling it unfortunate that the Centre told Parliament that it does not have numbers on death of migrant labourers, Sharma said there should be effort to create an inventory in every state about the population of migrant workforce.

"Yesterday, the health minister said the lockdown prevented 14-29 lakh Covid-19 cases and 37,000-78,000 deaths. The House must be informed what is the scientific basis on which we have reached this conclusion. There is a wide gap in figures," he said.

About 15 opposition parties had written to Rajya Sabha Chairman M Venkaiah Naidu seeking extension of time to 4 hours for discussion on the matter. Health Minister Harsh Vardhan is set to reply to the MPs' queries on Thursday.

Attacking the government for lacking humility to work with the states, TMC leader Derek O'Brien questioned the suspension of MPLAD funds, saying the government should not use Covid-19 to convert democracy to autocracy. He also targeted the Centre over the PM-CARES fund and quipped that "PM couldn't care less fund" is one of the most opaque funds in the world.

RJD MP Manoj K Jha said that the House should apologise to the migrants for the entire crisis during lockdown.

MPs from states ruled by regional parties like the TRS and the BJD targeted the government for failing to provide any financial assistance to the states and not even paying pending central dues.

Congress MP Manish Tewari (R) and RJD MP Manoj Jha in Parliament | PTI

9.5 cr schoolkids given food security allowance

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@ New Delhi

EVEN though students in government schools across India have missed mid-day meals since the lockdown, nearly 9.5 crore children have received food security allowance since March, the Centre has said. This was informed to the Lok Sabha in reply to a query by Union Education Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank.

Since the imposition of the lockdown in March, as schools were closed and children were missing out on mid-day meals, the states were advised to extend the support in kind.

In the written reply, Nishank said since it is not possible to provide hot cooked meal under the prevailing circumstances, the state governments have been providing the food security allowance, which includes financial aid, foodgrains, pulses, oil and other cooking ingredients, in place of the mid-day meals.

As per the data shared by the ministry, the Uttar Pradesh government has provided an allowance to 1.13 crore students and West Bengal and Bihar have disbursed the allowance to 1.12 crore and 1.08 crore students, respectively.

Maharashtra, so far, has provided the meal allowance to nearly 8 million students, whereas Madhya Pradesh provided to over 6 million. Rajasthan is providing foodgrains only. Telangana is providing kits of 12 kg rice per person and ₹1,500 per family.

Minimum wages raised for scheduled employment

The Centre on Wednesday said it had revised the minimum rate of wages for employees engaged in scheduled employment in the central sphere. According to the revised rates, casual workers in agriculture would earn ₹333 per day as against the ₹237 per day in Area A, ₹303 as against the ₹216 in Area B and ₹300 as against the ₹214 in Area C. The government has divided places into A,B and C categories. While urban agglomerations in cities like Hyderabad, Delhi, Mumbai, etc fall under Area A, cities like Ajmer Agra, Hubli-Dharwad, etc fall in Area B while the remaining places are placed under Area C.

MMS, PC seek leave of absence from Rajya Sabha

As many as 14 Rajya Sabha MPs, including former PM Manmohan Singh, have sought leave of absence from the monsoon session on medical grounds, Chairman M Venkaiah Naidu said on Wednesday. Naidu informed the House that he had received letters from former finance minister P Chidambaram, PMK leader Anbumani Ramadoss, senior Congress leader Oscar Fernandes, AIADMK's A Navaneethakrishnan and YSR Congress leader Parimal Nathwani. Barring three, all members have sought Leave of Absence for the entire 252nd Session, he said.

Tata wins contract to build new Parliament

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE new Parliament building will be constructed by Tata Projects Limited at a cost of ₹861.90 crore. The company beat Larsen and Toubro, which had submitted a bid of ₹865 crore, to win the contract.

The Central Public Works Department opened the financial bids on Wednesday. Sources said three bids were received and Tata emerged as the lowest. Third bid was not complete, said an official.

The new building that will come up close to the existing complex has been designed as a triangle and is part of the ₹20,000 crore Central Vista project. It is expected to be completed in 21 months once the construction work starts.

The government's decision to go ahead with the Central Vista projects despite the Covid-19 pandemic putting the country's economy under severe stress has drawn a lot of flak from the Opposition. Many Opposition MPs had forcefully argued in Parliament on Tuesday to cut down on wasteful expenditure, including the grand plans for the Central Vista beautification and construction projects, and instead spend the money on welfare activities that help the people at the grassroots.

Ahmedabad-based HCP Design, Planning and Management is carrying out the design consultancy to redevelop the Parliament building.

CULTURAL AWAKENING

MODI, A MAN WHO LIVES VALUES OF THE BHARATIYA CIVILIZATION

SONAL MANSINGH
Rajya Sabha MP

THERE has been a period till very recently when India's political and administrative class was dismissive, even contemptuous of India's civilizational heritage and cultural roots. Official meetings were confined to corridors of power and cuisines were limited to the standard menus of elite hotel kitchens. India had closed its doors on itself. In a country as diverse in language, cuisine, traditions, attire and religions as India, the common civilizational threads were thrown aside in a bid to seem modern and politically correct. A discourse steeped in self-deprecation and apology about its own identity clouded the true face of India. A puzzling scenario of cultural masochism, where a large majority was supposed to accept humiliation at many levels, had become the norm; to think otherwise was labelled as 'communal'.

This cultural confusion pervaded among the elite, blissfully disconnected from what India stood for. There was a time when flaunting one's position of power and wealth publicly was frowned upon because it would not sit well with painstakingly created image of being Messaiah of the Poor, but privately the best of every imaginable luxury could be enjoyed. This double-faced approach naturally led to policies which, while showcasing India's cultural heritage, did precious little to strengthen the roots and the stakeholders. Confusion about what was India, its history and sacred geography, the deeper philosophical roots of the longest living vibrant civilization, were becoming opaque. Deriding the 'other' became fashionable. Slowly but surely, the false and fake ideas got planted in the collective psyche which then baulked at the cultural traditions and concepts that had shaped India aka Bharatvarsh.

It is this notion of false values which led to exclusion of India that has been completely altered by Narendra Modi's calm but firm expression of his cultural identity. A leader has emerged from the heart of India who is open about his cultural roots and wears it on his sleeve. He is as comfortable in a Veshti from Tamil Nadu or with headgear from the Northeast as he is with official Bandhgala which had typified our politicians and diplomats for long. Modi has time and again demonstrated his support for India's diverse culture, vibrant in its various hues of dance, music, handicraft, attire and food habits by being its best ambassador. One is reminded of how he presented India's linguistic richness and diversity by expressing himself in multiple languages at the Howdy, Modi! event in the US.

This has translated into India not feeling inferior about its diverse cultures today. The International Day of Yoga is testimony to creativity in projecting India's soft but strong power to the world. Taking leaders out of confines of New Delhi to show them places like Ahmedabad, Varanasi and Mamallapuram, Modi has shown how new India is at ease with both the old and the new, powered by its civilizational values and beliefs. Meditating in a cave in Ketarnath or quoting freely from Indic scriptures, Modi symbolises the awakening of a civilizational identity that had been forced into slumber.

His reference to the great debate between Adi Shankaracharya and Mandan Mishra as an example of dialogue and debate emerges from perfect understanding of a civilization that reveres knowledge, believes in winning over adversary through conviction. Yet, Modi knows value of subtlety; his expressions of love for his own culture are never abrasive or supremacist. It is just natural expression of love, not show of strength.

Modi's presence at helm of affairs is resulting in awakening of real India that had somehow got lost in the corridors of power and interplay of perceived political correctness. As the world sits up to take notice of initiatives taken by Modi to reclaim the Vishwaguru status for India, one wonders why this simple yet profound aspect of our civilization was ignored by powers that be for so long. Perhaps the time has come to recognize and celebrate the movement when Modi is reclaiming the unparalleled heritage and values of India.

AP govt to move SC against HC's media gag

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Vijayawada

THE Andhra Pradesh government on Wednesday decided to move the Supreme Court against the High Court's interim orders staying further probe in a case registered against former advocate general Dammalapati Srinivas and 12 others in the Amaravati land scam and gagging the media from reporting on contents of the FIR against the accused.

The High Court had on Tuesday issued the interim orders on an application filed by Dammalapati Srinivas, hours after the State Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) filed a case against him and 12 others for alleged insider trading in Amaravati under the Prevention of Corruption Act and sections of the IPC.

Terming the High Court orders unfortunate, unusual, unprecedented and surprising, Sajjala Ramakrishna Reddy, advisor to the State government (public affairs), said it gives the impression that the law is one for the influential and another for the common man.

"We will definitely go to the Supreme Court. If we have to go by the High Court orders, none will be able to speak on Amaravati scam. Gagging the media, executive, legislature and investigation agencies... this is a serious issue. People, intellectuals and legal experts must speak up," he said.

"It is understandable if the high court questions in a case where a person's liberty is suppressed or innocent people are deprived of their rights or if the vulnerable are oppressed. How could the media be gagged? It seems like an over-reaction. It appears Dammalapati's advocate Mukul Rohatgi argued that his client and daughters of a Supreme Court judge are named... If they had done something, shouldn't such deeds be questioned?" Sajjala Ramakrishna Reddy asked.

ysrc party member raises Issue in Lok Sabha

The high court's order to gag media was raised in Parliament, too. Raising the issue in the Lok Sabha on Wednesday, Yuvajana Sramika Rythu Congress Party MP Mithun Reddy urged the Centre to direct the Central Bureau of Investigation to investigate the Amaravati land scam. Referring to the high court's gag order, Mithun Reddy said all this is just because the former advocate general is there and the kith and kin of a judge are there. Law must be the same for all — from the Prime Minister to the common man — he added

'Safe option'

Kirill Dmitriev, CEO of the RDIF, said as India is amongst worst hit countries, the Russian human adenovirus dual vector platform could provide a safe and scientifically validated option in the Covid-19 battle

Russia, Dr Reddy's tie up for vaccine distribution

SUMI SUKANYA DUTTA @ New Delhi

THE Russian government on Wednesday announced its partnership with Hyderabad based Dr Reddy's Laboratories for clinical trials and distribution of Covid-19 vaccine Sputnik V in India for mass vaccinations by the year-end.

Under the plan, the Russian Direct Investment Fund which is leading the Covid-19 vaccine project in India will supply 100 million doses to Dr Reddy's, upon regulatory approval.

"Deliveries could potentially begin in late 2020 subject to completion of successful trials and registration of the vaccine by regulatory authorities in India," said a joint statement by the RDIF and Dr Reddy's.

G V Prasad, Co-Chairman and MD of Dr Reddy's, said the company will be conducting Phase-III trials to meet the requirements of the Indian regulators. "Sputnik V vaccine could provide a credible option in our fight against Covid- 19 in India," he said.

The development comes days after Union health minister Harsh Vardhan said the government is considering emergency use authorisation of Covid-19 vaccine in India, particularly for senior citizens and high-risk persons.

Sputnik V, which was found to be safe and effective on a small group of volunteers in Russia in phase 1 and 2 trials, as per a paper recently published in *The Lancet*, is currently under phase 3 trial involving 40,000 individuals.

Ladakh: Shots fired in air by both sides

MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

BULLETS WERE fired by Indian as well as Chinese soldiers in eastern Ladakh on three different occasions within a span of 10 days, beginning with the intervening night of August 29-30. The maximum number of bullets fired was at the northern bank of Pangong Tso between the areas of Finger 3 and 4.

A senior Army Officer confirmed, "Both sides fired two to three rounds of warning shots on August 29-30 in Chushul and this got repeated on September 7, also in Chushul." On September 9, both armies fired more than 100 bullets each in the air on the north bank of the Pangong Lake, said the officer.

The current escalation in border tensions has seen bullets flying at the Line of Actual Control for the first time in 45 years. The holding positions have changed since the Indian Army positioned its troops on the heights on both the north and south banks of the Pangong Lake. "We are now at dominating the heights. The Chinese soldiers tried to close in, so warning shots were fired. The first shots were fired when the Chinese tried to intimidate Indian troops who had occupied the heights closer to the Spanggur Gap area," said an officer.

There is noticeable shift in the pattern of weapon used since the beginning of standoff. "Earlier, in extreme cases the soldiers from both sides used to wrestle or hit with punches and fist. The Chinese used clubs, iron rods studded with nails and stones on the night of May 5-6 when the first clash at Finger 4 took place."

As per sources, the sixth Corps Commanders meeting will most likely be shifted to next week. "It's already Wednesday and agenda for the meeting has not been fixed yet," said an official. The meeting on ground in the Chushul area has not taken place since Saturday.

An IAF fighter jet on the runway amid a prolonged India-China face-off in Ladakh | PTI

No infiltration bids along China border in 6 months, 47 at LoC

Rajnath to speak in RS

The Defence Minister will make a statement in the RS on Thursday on the row with China in Ladakh. later, opposition MPs will speak and Singh may give a clarification, if required and if Chair permits

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THERE has been no infiltration along the India-China border in the last six months, while 47 infiltration bids have been reported along the India-Pakistan border during the period, Union Minister of State for Home Nityanad Rai said told the Rajya Sabha. He was responding to questions posed by BJP parliamentarian Anil Agrawal.

He said that 594 attempts of infiltration into Jammu and Kashmir by Pakistani militants have been reported in the last three years, of which 312 were successful.

On terror related incidents in J&K since the revocation of Article 370 in 5 August, 2019, the government told the Housec that least 71 civilians and 74 security personnel have been killed.

MoS, Home, G Kishan Reddy said that 45 civilians were killed in terror-related incidents and 26 lost their lives in ceasefire violations. Similarly, 49 security personnel were killed in terror incidents while 25 died in incidents of ceasefire violation.

INDIA TAUNTS

'Pak training terrorists, can't lecture others'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

CALLING Pakistan an epicenter of terrorism, India asked the neighbouring country not to lecture others on human rights.

"Neither India nor others deserve this unsolicited lecture on human rights from a country that has consistently persecuted its ethnic and religious minorities, is an epicenter of terrorism, has the distinction of providing pensions to individuals on UN Sanctions list and has a Prime Minister who proudly admits training tens of thousands of terrorists to fight in Jammu and Kashmir," India said on Tuesday while exercising its Right to Reply to the statements made by Pakistan at the Human Rights Council.

"Thousands of Sikh, Hindus and Christian minority women and girls have been subjected to abductions, forced marriages and conversions in Pakistan," the Indian diplomat said.

The Indian side said that it was not a surprise that Pakistan is highlighted by international bodies as a country where journalists are slain and their killers are allowed to walk free.

RELIEF FOR RAINA

Punjab Police arrested three members of an inter-state gang of robbers who were involved in the attack and murder of cricketer Suresh Raina's kin. Punjab DGP Dinkar Gupta announced the arrest of the three accused. Raina reached Pathankot and met his relatives.

86 KG OF CONTRABAND SEIZED IN BIHAR

Ahmedabad	36	24	Mumbai	32	26
Bhopal	33	24	Panaji	30	24
Jaipur	37	28	Patna	34	27
Amritsar	32	26	Lucknow	37	28
Chennai	32	27	Port Blair	30	24
Kolkata	33	28	Imphal	30	21
Srinagar	30	12	Chandigarh	35	26

'Cong misleading India on farm ordinances'

BJP chief JP Nadda says Congress conveniently forgot that it had promised to repeal APMC Act in 2014 poll manifesto

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @New Delhi

FACED with agitation by farmers on the road and protest by parties inside Parliament against the farm ordinances, BJP chief J P Nadda on Wednesday accused the Congress of misleading the nation.

Nadda asserted said that the legislative proposals are in the interests of the farmers. "All the three legislative proposals, including the Essential Commodities (Amendment) Bill, are path-breaking reforms to empower farmers. The Congress, in its 2014 Lok Sabha poll manifesto, had promised to repeal the APMC Act. Now, the Congress has conveniently forgotten its own stand," Nadda told reporters.

> The MSP will remain there in practice. The legislative proposals before the Parliament only give additional avenues to the farmers to fetch better prices for their produces
>
> JP Nadda, BJP president

The BJP chief claimed that the Congress had persuaded the party-ruled states to denotify food and vegetables from the APMC Act when the UPA was in power Nadda said that the party is in touch with the leadership of the Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) on the legislative proposals before the Parliament concerning agriculture.

Farmers in Punjab and Haryana have hit the street to protest the three legislations while the Opposition MPs are opposing the Essential Commodities (Amendment) Bill, 2020 on the grounds that it would encourage hoarding and middlemen.

Nadda stressed that the Minimum Support Prices (for *Rabi* and *Kharif* crops) would continue in practice.

"The MSP was there, it is there and will remain in practice. The legislative proposals before the Parliament only give additional avenues to the farmers to fetch better prices for their produces. The farmers may avail even better prices than the MSPs offered at the *mandis*," said Nadda.

Farmers shout slogans during a protest against agriculture reform ordinances in New Delhi on Wednesday | PARVEEN NEGI

Punjab rivals united in protest against Centre

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

ARCH-RIVALS in Punjab, the Congress, Shiromani Akali Dal and the Aam Aadmi Party, are now on the same page on farm ordinances which the Centre wants to convert into laws.

SAD president Sukhbir Singh Badal has issued a statement that the party was not consulted by the BJP before bringing out these ordinances.

In Chandigarh, Chief Minister Amarinder Singh on Wednesday led an 11-member Congress team to Governor VP Singh Badnore and informed him that the party would take the legal route against the 'anti-farmer' measures.

In a memorandum, the Congress warned that the ordinances would lead to unrest in the border state, which was already at the receiving end of Pakistan's concerted efforts to foment trouble. Amarinder told the governor that the party believed any move to tinker with the present procurement system in the times of nationwide pandemic crisis would deepen social unrest among farmers.

Meanwhile, the farmers' protest led by BKU has spread across Punjab with protestors gathering in the Bathinda parliamentary constituency of Union minister Harshimrat Kaur Badal and in Patiala, Amarinder's constituency.

Babri verdict on Sept 30, Advani told to be present

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

THE special CBI court will on September 30 deliver its verdict in the Babri Masjid demolition case, 28 years after the incident.

Special CBI court judge Surendra Kumar Yadav has issued directives to all the accused, including former Deputy PM LK Advani, BJP stalwarts Murli Manohar Joshi, form UP CM and ex-Governor of Rajasthan Kalyan Singh, former BJP lawmaker Vinay Katiyar and Uma Bharti along with 32 others.

The special CBI court has tried those who were allegedly involved in the criminal conspiracy leading to the demolition of Babri mosque by frenzied kar sevaks in Ayodhya on December 6, 1992. The court earlier this month completed all proceedings in the case by recording statements of all 32 accused.

Lawyer KK Mishra, who is representing 25 out of the 32 accused in the case, including Advani, Joshi, Kalyan Singh, Uma Bharti, confirmed the date set by the court for delivering the verdict.

The Supreme Court had given the CBI court a one-month extension, instructing it to wind up the case by September 30. The earlier deadline for judgment had expired on August 31.

While BJP stalwarts Advani and Joshi attended the court proceeding and recorded their statements through video conference as both are aged and have not been keeping well. The rest of the accused appeared in the special court in Lucknow to record their statements. Almost all the accused pleaded not guilty and termed it as a conspiracy hatched by their political rivals to frame them in a conspiracy case.

The 32 accused who faced the trial included Advani, Murli Manohar Joshi, Kalyan Singh, Uma Bharti, Sadhvi Ritambhara, Vinay Katiyar, Dr Ram Vials Vedanti, Mahant Nritya Gopal Das, Champat Rai, and Sakshi Maharaj.

LONG-DRAWN TRIAL

The CBI, which investigated the case, has produced 351 witnesses and about 600 documents as evidence before the court. Charges were framed against 48 people, but 16 died during the course of the trial

Rescue work at the accident site in Kota district on Wednesday | PTI

Eleven drown as boat overturns in Rajasthan

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

AT least 11 people were drowned and three others missing after an overcrowded boat carrying about four dozen people overturned in the Chambal river on Wednesday in Rajasthan's Kota district.

The dead included men, women and some children.

A prime reason of the boat tragedy was the loading of motorbikes which were also placed in the boat to cross the river. In addition, not one person on the boat was wearing any safety jacket.

By the time the police and the district administration could reach the spot, many of the boat passengers had already drowned. The boatman managed to swim to safety

Passengers who knew how to swim were lucky to be rescued by locals, who said that a large number of people were swept away by the swift current of the river.

Most people had boarded the boat to visit Kamleshwar Dham near Gothala Kala in Bundi district.

The boat capsized in the area between Chanada and Gothada village. Rescue operations were continuing till late in the evening.

"The wooden boat was in a terrible condition and still it was packed with more passengers than it could bear. In addition, lots of bikes were also put on board," an eyewitness said.

Kota District Magistrate Ujjwal Rathore, who supervised the rescue operation, said 11 bodies were fished out from the river. "If any negligence is found, we shall not spare the officials responsible for this tragedy."

Expressing his condolences, CM Ashok Gehlot announced ex gratia of ₹1 lakh each to the next of the kin of the people who have died in the tragedy.

Family of late Jat king seeks return of land donated to AMU on lease

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

THE descendants of late Jat king Mahendra Pratap Singh, who had donated land to various educational institutes, including Aligarh Muslim University (AMU), have demanded the land back from the university, claiming it was given to it on a 90-year lease which expired last year.

They have also demanded the AMU administration rename its city school after the late king. The AMU executive council has formed a panel and submit its report to the varsity administration.

Mahendra Pratap Singh (1886-1979) had participated in the country's freedom struggle and was a renowned social reformer. He had given 3.04-acre land to the university on lease for constructing a school in 1929. The king himself was an alumnus of the Mohammedan Anglo-Oriental College, which later became the AMU.

Sources close to late king's great grandson Charat Pratap Singh, said the family had served a legal notice on AMU in 2018 about the expiry of lease. Sources said two pieces of land were given to AMU for promoting education.

The relatives of the king are ready to donate the bigger chunk of land on which AMU's city school is constructed with the condition that AMU authorities rename it after the king.

For the other piece of land measuring 1.2 hectare, the family has given two options — either it should be returned to the family or the family should be monetarily compensated at the current market rate of the land.

Last year, the UP Cabinet had cleared a proposal to set up a new university in Aligarh, named after the Jat freedom fighter.

The main refrain of the state government was that the Jat king had given land for establishing the university but his name was not mentioned on any plaque.

EXPRESS READ

PDP seek release of political detainees

Srinagar: The Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) on Wednesday held its first meeting after the revocation of Article 370 by the Centre in August last year. The meeting was held at PDP headquarters in Srinagar after the UT government gave the nod. A resolution was adopted by the party calling for release of all detained mainstream leaders, including Mehbooba Mufti.

Fake FB accounts of 3 IPS officers busted

Kolkata: Fake accounts of 3 IPS officers and two other policemen were found on Facebook in past seven days. The fraudsters, in the guise of cops, were demanding money from unsuspecting victims. The Bengal Police suspect that the fake accounts using police officers' names and photos were created deliberately to tarnish the image of the law enforcing agency.

Fadnavis, BJP MP against Centre's ban on onion export

MUMBAI: Former Maharashtra chief minister Devendra Fadnavis and BJP Rajya Sabha MP Udayanraje Bhosale joined the ranks of leaders protesting against the Centre's ban on the export of onion.

Fadnavis wrote to Goyal informing that there is a demand for Maharashtra's onion in international market. "That helps farmers get fair price of their crop. Because of the ban on the export of onion, the farmers in Maharashtra are not happy. Therefore, I hope, the central government rescind its decision."

Bhosale expressed his displeasure on the matter. "It was a very shocking decision by the central government," he wrote to Union Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal.

During the lockdown period, the BJP MP said, farmers worked hard and ensured that there is no shortage of food supply. "But due to this ban, onion growing farmers will face a major loss. ... Also, large stocks of onion are lying at dockyard so the government should export it. The central government should take back this decision immediately." *ENS*

KAPILA VATSYAYAN, DOYEN OF CULTURAL RESEARCH, NO MORE

Learnt classical dance from greats

Vatsyayan learned Kathak from Pt Achhan Maharaj, and Manipuri dance from Guru Amobi Singh. She then learnt Odissi (from Guru Surendranath Jena), Bharatanatyam (from Gurus Meenakshi Sundaram Pillai and Lalitha, a disciple of Rukmini Devi).

RAJKUMARI SHARMA TANKHA @ New Delhi

LEADING scholar of Indian classical dance, art and art history Kapila Vatsyayan passed away at her home in Delhi. She was 92.

A former Rajya Sabha MP and lifetime trustee of Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts, Vatsyayan was the chairperson of the Asia Project at the India International Centre. During her active professional career spanning over decades, she also served as the Secretary in the Ministry of Education, Government of India.

Groomed by freedom fighter Kamala Devi Chattopadhyay and theosophist-dancer Rukmini Devi Arundale, she was instrumental in setting up of several art and culture institutes, including the IIC.

Born to Satyawati Malik and Ram Lal in Delhi on December 25, 1928, Vatsyayan was fiercely independent from the beginning. She graduated in English Literature from Delhi University and later did her MA in Education from University of Michigan, followed it with a Ph.D from Banaras Hindu University. In 1956, she got married to Hindi author-poet S H Vatsyayan 'Ajneya' but the couple separated in 1969.

Vatsyayan was a recipient of the Sangeet Natak Akademi Fellowship (1970) and Lalit Kala Akademi Fellowship (1995). In 2011, she was bestowed with Padma Vibhushan.

Vatsyayan was a lover of Indian classical art forms who welcomed experimentation, but only which didn't dilute the innate essence of indigenous art forms. In her own words: To be innovative is imperative for traditions to renew, but inventiveness needs to happen within the framework of basic principles defining each dance.

"She was a great mentor and took great interest in me. When I was selected for Indian Audit & Accounts Service, she advised me to not accept a deputation to any ministry remotely connected with culture. She said, 'If you do so, people will attribute other motives.' I followed this all through my career," says noted Kathak dancer Shovana Narayan.

Panel seeks report on tribal's 'encounter' killing

BHOPAL/RAIPUR: Taking cognizance of the alleged killing on a Chhattisgarh tribal by the state police recently, the MP State Human Right Commission has sought a detailed report from the state police higher ups in the entire matter.

The panel has sought report from the DGP, the IG-Balaghat and the IG-Jabalpur Range within three weeks.

Chhattisgarh minister Mohammad Akbar had written to MP CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan and MP home minister Narottam Mishra in which he has alleged that Jham Singh Dhurve, a resident of Chhattisgarh's Kabirdham district, was killed by MP Police in a fake encounter on September 6.

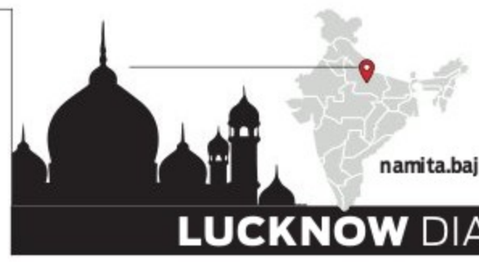
With no action being taken on his letters, Akbar approached Chhattisgarh Governor Anusuiya Uike. He claimed that as per the report of the Kabirdham collector, the MP Police tried to destroy evidence.

The Balaghat district police, however, claims that Jham Singh was killed in "crossfire" during an anti-combing operation in Maoist -hit Balaghat. "A combing operation was underway inside the Kanha reserve core area when an exchange of fire took place," IG-Balaghat Range KP Venkateshwar Rao said.

Meanwhile, the Balaghat collector has ordered a probe. The MP police brass also has sought a report from local police. *ENS*

Nawazuddin's wife reasserts charges

Aaliya Siddiqui, the estranged wife of actor Nawazuddin Siddiqui, has recorded her statement at a police station in UP's Muzaffarnagar and reasserted her charges, including that a family member was "molested" by the actor's brother. She had filed a case in Mumbai that which was later transferred to Muzaffarnagar's Budhana area where the alleged incident took place. The actor's wife also repeated several other allegations she had made earlier. Nawazuddin, his four family members, including his mother and brothers, were booked at the Versova police station in Mumbai on July 27 based on a complaint filed by his wife.



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LUCKNOW DIARY

World-class forensic science varsity in Lucknow

Uttar Pradesh will establish a world-class forensic science university in Lucknow to check the rise in cybercrime. With a campus spread over 35 acres, the Forensic Science University will come up with the technical assistance of Israel and the Gujarat Forensic University. Having sanctioned ₹20 crore for prestigious project, the additional director general of police (technical services) will be the nodal head for the establishment of the university. The posts of vice-chancellor, registrar and finance officer have also been created. There will be 10 departments in the university. In total, 496 posts, including 14 professors, 12 associate professors and 42 assistant professors, have been proposed by the UP government and other stakeholders.

Agra's marble traders hopeful as Taj to reopen

Marble traders in Agra see a ray of hope after the administration has allowed the Taj Mahal re-open for tourists. Adding to that hope is the optimism lent by weekend market curbs being lifted in the city. Of the total of ₹2,000 crore marble trade, ₹700 crore is by way of export internationally and ₹1,300 crore trade comes through emporiums. About 30,000 to 35,000 families are relying on the marble work in Agra. The skill of working on marble is mostly hereditary, with the son following the footsteps of the father. The pandemic has caused erosion and unable to find suitable returns, many artisans are deviating from their traditional source of income, said a marble trader.

Wajid Ali Shah's great-grandson dies of Covid

The Covid-19 pandemic has made the last descendant of Awadh's last king Nawab Wajid Ali Shah its victim. Prince Kaukab Quder Sajjad Ali Meerza, the great-grandson of the last Nawab of Oudh and grandson of Nawab Birjis Qadr, died in Kolkata recently. The 87-year-old had tested positive for the Covid-19 a week ago. He is survived by his wife, Badr-un-Nissa 'Badr', who belongs to Lucknow's famous Khandan-e-Ijtihad and is the daughter of poet Fazl Naqvi. The couple has two sons and four daughters.

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(A GOVERNMENT OF INDIA UNDERTAKING)
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CORRIGENDUM

Sale Notice published in this News paper **Dated 16.09.2020** pertaining to the **ARM-1 Branch Branch, pertaining to 1. M/s Kanva Fashion Pvt Ltd, (Rep. By its M.D Sri. N. Nanjundaiah) and 10 Others** In the last paragraph at the last line "However, separate bid for item No.3 & 4 will be entertained" sentence should be read as "However, separate bid for item **No.2 & 4** will be entertained".

All other details remains unchanged.

Date : 16.09.2020 **Sd/-**
Place : Bangalore **Authorised officer Canara Bank**

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POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable property) [Rule 8(1)]

A/c No: HBL: 37891920508

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised officer of the **State Bank of India, Kudur Branch,** Bangalore, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated 29.06.2020, calling upon the borrowers **a) Sri A Hanumantharaju S/o Late Anjinappa, #42, Thoreramanahalli (Thorenarasimharajapura), Kudur Hobli, Magadi Taluk, Ramanagaram Dist., Also @: Asst. Teacher, Deepasri Govt. Aided Kannada Sr. School, Hegganahalli, Viswaneedam Post, Bangalore 560091 and b) Smt. Gowramma W/o Late Anjinappa, #42, Thoreramanahalli (Thorenarasimharajapura), Kudur Hobli, Magadi Taluk, Ramanagaram Dist.,and the Guarantor Sri KH Nagaraj, Head Master, # 681, Rajaggopalanagara Main Road, Near Nagalingeswara Temple, Peenya II Stage, Bangalore 560058** to repay the amount as mentioned in the notice being **Rs.18,23,622/- (Rupees Eighteen Lakh Twenty Three Thousand Six Hundred Twenty Two Only),** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower/ Guarantor/Mortgager and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Sub Section 4 of Section 13 of Act, read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **15th Day of September, 2020.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general, is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with the property will be subject to the charge of the **State Bank of India,** for an amount amount **Rs.18,51,233/- (Rupees Eighteen Lakhs Fifty One Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty Three only) as on 07.09.2020 and interest from 08.09.2020** & charges thereon, till the date of realization of the dues.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub Section (8) of the Section 13 of the Act, in respect of, time available to redeem the secured Assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Khata No. 6/61/1, Latest Khata No. 61/1, e-swathu No. 152900300101200062, measuring 14.319504 Mtr x 13.097256 Mtr, Situated at Thoreramanahalli village, Adrangi Gramapanchayathi Limits, Kudur Hobli, Magadi Taluk Standing in the Joint names of Sri Hanumantharaju and Smt. Gowramma, and bounded on:

East by: Road **West by:** Property of RG Kempegowda & RG Balaraju
North by: House of Puttaiah & Site of Kempegowda, **South by:** Road.

Date : 15.09.2020 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, STATE BANK OF INDIA**
Place : Kudur **KUDUR Branch, Kudur, Ramanagara Dist**

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is brought to the notice of the general public that our client: **Sri. PALANISWAMY,** S/o. Ramaswamy, Aged about 62 years, R/at. #123, Vijaya Lakshmi Colony, Near Mantri Astra Apartments, Kalyan Nagar Post, Hennur Bande, Bangalore-560043, is the joint and co-owner of the schedule property having acquired the same under the Virtue of Sale deed dated 27/10/1988 and thereafter he has not executed any Notarized GPA in favour of Mr. D.Muni Mohan or D.M.V. Raja or anybody with respect to property bearing Sy. No.31/11, measuring 1 Acre 20 Guntas vide alleged Notary GPA dated 21.09.1994 and he hereby revoke and cancel the said Alleged Notarized General Power of Attorney dated 21.09.1994, as same is created and against his Will.

Any persons having any claim/ s or transactions on the basis of the said Notarized G.P.A will not bind on Sri.Palaniswamy, in any manner and shall be null and void and any person having objection/s about the above mentioned Notarized GPA may write to the undersigned within **07 (seven) days** from the date of publication of this Notice along with documentary evidence, on which they are basing their claim, failing which my client will proceed on the basis that there are no claim/ s, objection/s of whatsoever nature.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THE PIECE AND PARCEL of immovable property bearing **Sy No.31/11, situated at Hennur Village,** Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, measuring 1/4th share out of **1 Acre 20 Guntas** and bounded on the:

East by : Property belonging to Srinivas,
West by : Bagalur Main Road,
North by : Nanjundappa's property,
South by : Anjinappa's property

R. HARSHA, BBA,LLB, Advocates,
665/3, 1st Main, 1st Cross,
K. Narayanapura, Dr. SRK Nagar Post,
KR Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk,
Bangalore-560077

Date : 15-09-2020 Place : Bangalore

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Our client Smt.Pillamma, W/o late S.M.Bachanna and Smt.Jayalakshmamma W/o late S.M.Bachanna, both are residing at Shyanappanahalli, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District hereby informs the general public that we are absolute owners of the land bearing Sy.No. 41/B6, measuring 0-35 guntas,, measuring 0-33 guntas,, situated at Shyanappanahalli Village, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District.

In this regard our clients have executed a registered general power of attorney on 06.06.2016 in favour of Sri Anjaneya Reddy, S/o.Srirama Reddy, residing at No.10, Chanakya Provision Store, Devasandra Main Road, Devasandra BVNHS Complex, K.R. Puram, Bangalore-560 036 to deal with the land belongs to our clients.

Our clients informs us that due to some misunderstanding between our Clients and the GPA holder Sri Anjaneya Reddy, our clients have already sent legal notice to the GPA holder canceling the GPA executed in his favour authorizing him to deal with the property referred above and have cancelled the registered GPA dt. 10.09.2020 Vide Document No. 52/2020-21 which is registered in the office of Sub-Registrar, Chikkajala.

If in spite of cancellation of GPA, if any person/s / third parties enter into any sort of transactions with the GPA Holder in respect of the above property such an agreement of sale / sale deed etc. the same has no value in the eye of law, so also the same is not binding on our clients. Further, our clients will take suitable legal action against those who involve in the illegal transactions concerning the above property before the competent Court of law.

SCHEDULE

All that part and parcel of the land bearing Sy.No.41/B6, measuring 0-35 guntas, situated at Shyanappanahalli Village, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, bounded on: East by : Land bearing Sy.No.41/B5 belongs to Krishnappa, West by : Land bearing Sy.No.41 belongs to Doddaveere Gowda, North by : Sy.No.42 Private Land, South by : Land bearing Sy.No.41/B3 belongs to Chandrashekar.

V. VISHWANATH
SRINIVASA REDDY B.
Advocates, No. 16, 4th Floor, RD Complex, Victory Avenue Building, Hospital Road, Bangalore-560053.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, the undersigned advocate on behalf of my clients **Sri Kempanna and others** have filed the above death certificate of **Muniyappa S/o. Late Kempanna** was died on 29-01-2016 at Jyothipura Village, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. If any parties who have objections may disputes regarding the same can appear before the Civil Judge and J.M.F.C. Court at **Devanahalli** and the **date of hearing on 05/10/2020** at 11.00 A.M. in **C. Misc. No. 146/2020**.

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer
Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
Sri RAVI B.M.,-Advocate

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform that my client, Mr. R. Mahalingam, residing at No. 53, Old Garden Road, Ooty-643 001 own a residential property bearing Flat No. 307, Third Floor G.M. Nest Apartments and which is more fully described in the Schedule and hereinafter referred to as Schedule Property. The original Sale Deed pertaining to the Schedule Property dated 11.08.2011 bearing No. BNS-1-04414-2011-12 in CD No. BNSD 106 registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Banaswadi, Bangalore has been misplaced in Bangalore.

I have filed a complaint regarding the same with the jurisdictional Police Station on 15.09.2020 and have received an acknowledgment in this regard from the Police Station on 15.09.2020. If the above stated document is found by any person, kindly return them at my residential address stated above.

SCHEDULE

Flat No. 307, Third Floor, measuring a total extent of 1047 Sq. ft. in G.M. Nest Apartment which is constructed on immoveable property bearing converted Sy. No. 12/1, present BBMP Khatha No. 78/12/1, situated at Thanisandra Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, earlier Bangalore South Taluk, presently Bangalore East Taluk and bounded on the:

East by : remaining portion of the same survey number
West by : Sy. No. 6 and Road
North by : remaining portion of same survey number and road
South by : Sy. No. 13

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PUBLIC NOTICE

To whomsoever it may concern,

Our Client has entered into necessary agreements for securing assignment of development rights by paying huge substantial amount with one M/s. ND Developers Pvt Ltd., who has acquired the development rights through various Joint Development Agreements from the its original Owners of the properties pertaining to properties bearing Sy.No.117/2, admeasuring 0-29 Guntas, Sy.No.115/2, admeasuring 0-27 Guntas, Sy.No.117/2, admeasuring 01 Acre 15 Guntas and Sy.No.118/1, admeasuring 02-00 Acres, Sy.No.119, admeasuring 0-16.08 Guntas, Sy.No.115/2, admeasuring 0-27 Guntas and Sy.No.117/2, admeasuring 01 Acre 18 Guntas, situated in Doddakkannalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bengaluru District, State of Karnataka.

Whereas, since the said M/s. ND Developers failed to do the requisite compliances under the said Agreement executed in favour of our Client resulting in a dispute, our Client had filed Petition under CMP No.132/2018 before Hon'ble High Court for appointment of an Arbitrator for resolving the dispute and another Proceeding under MFA 968/2020 in AA No.346/2017, before the Hon'ble High Court, Bangalore for restraining them, their agents, assignees or any other person/s claiming through or under them in any manner from transferring the development rights of the said properties to any third party or from altering the nature of the said properties till the disposal of the said proceedings which are pending before the Hon'ble High Court.

Hence we hereby inform the general public to not to enter into any kind of agreements with the said M/s. ND Developers or the land owners of the said properties in any manner since our Client has made huge investments for the said development rights and acquired absolute interest and right over the said development rights in the said properties in the manner above said and in spite of this if any person/entity enter into any Agreements or Deeds with the said M/s. ND Developers or the said land owners in any manner, the same shall not bind either our Client or the rights of our Client over the said properties in whatsoever manner pending disposal of the above proceedings before the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka, Bangalore.

JP & JP LAW FIRM, Advocates,
778, 36th Cross, 22nd Main, Jayanagar 4th 'T' Block, Bangalore-560 041.
Contact No. 8073730065

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, the undersigned advocate on behalf of my client **Rajendra S/o. Late Rangappa** has filed the petition for death certificate of Late Petition father Viz., **Rangappa W/o. Late Venkatappa @ Narayanappa,** was died on 28-05-2009 at Vinayakanagar, 22nd Ward, Vijayapura Town, If any parties who have objections with regard to issue of death certificate can appear before the Hon'ble Additional Civil Judge and J.M.F.C. at **Devanahalli on 5/10/2020** at 11.00 A.M. in **C. Misc. No. 145/2020**.

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer
Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
Hanumegowda Y.M., Advocate

IN THE HON'BLE COURT OF THE I ADDL. CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC, AT NELAMANGALA.
C.MIS.NO. 207 / 2020

Petitioner : **Sri.M.Shivaprasad** S/o Mahadevaiah, Aged about 50 years, R/at No.65, H.R Anu Nivasa, 2nd Cross, Subhash Nagara, Nelamangala Town and Taluk, And also at Isuvanahalli Village, Thyamagondlu Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk. -V/s.-

Respondent : The Thahshidhar, Registrar of Birth and death, Nelamangala Taluk.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas the petitioner above named has filed the above petition seeking direction to the registrar of births and deaths, Nelamangala Taluk, to register the death of his grandmother late **Channamma** w/o Late G. Shivanna died on **05.09.2013** in petitioner's house at Isuvanahalli Village, Thyamagondlu Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District and if any who have got any objection to the said petition are hereby informed to be present before the Hon'ble court on **28.09.2020 at 11 am.** Forenoon to file their objections if any.

Take notice that in default of appearance on the day above mentioned the petition will be disposed off considering that there are no objections to the said petition.

By order of the court, I Add. Civil Judge and JMFC, Nelamangala.

Advocate for Petitioner: **M.D.UMESH,** Advocate
Byraveshwara Nagara, Nelamangala-562123.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Smt. C. Chandramma, W/o Murthy Shetty had purchased the Property bearing Jenger No.385, Property No.4, Site No.4 & 5, measuring 80 X 30 feet 2400 Sq.feet, situated at Harappanahalli village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District, was purchased the same under registered Sale Deed **Dated : 31.01.2006, Document No.ANK-1-14637/2005-06 stored in C.D.No.ANKD 95** registered at Anekal, from previous owner, the original Sale Deed was misplaced on 31.08.2020. C. Chandramma was died leaving behind her son Srinivasa Shetty. M., S/o. Murthy Shetty lodged complaint before Jigani Police on 05.09.2020 same is registered and issued Endorsement No.NCR 489/2020.

P.B. MANJUNATHA REDDY, Advocate,
Mohd, Ghouse Khan Building, Behind Court Complex, Mariyappa layout, Anekal Town, Bengaluru District.
Ph. No. 9845720614.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public at large hereby notified that, Our Client, Mrs.VANITHA.P, D/o.M.Pukhraj, Residing at No.5, Purushottam Road, Halusuru, Bangalore-560008 had intended to Purchase the House Site bearing Old HASB Khatha No.464 and New CMC Khatha No.436, Situated at Marathahalli, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, No.35, Old House List Khatha No.64, Old CMC Khatha No.34, New BBMP Khatha Bangalore. Now comes under the BBMP Marathahalli Sub-Division, Mahadevapura Zone of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Limits, Bangalore. The Site Measuring East to West by 27 feet and North to South by 45 Feet in all measuring 1215 Square feet together with Two Square Sheet roofed house constructed thereupon with all amenities, Bounded on:- East by: 3 ¼ feet Passage then Mr.D.Ramanna's Property, West by: Mr.Hirannaiah Property, North by: Road, South by: Devayaniyamma property presently belongs to Mr.Jayaprakash, from Mr.K.SRIDHARAN @ SREEDHARAN and Mr.K.SREENIVASAN @ SRINIVASAN both are sons of Mr.K.Govindan residents of No.e/85, Government School Road, Marathahalli, Bangalore - 560 037.

The Persons who are claiming any rights and interest title over the above mentioned Property may kindly reply to us with their objections, claims, along with documentary evidence to us within **10 days** from the Publication of this Notice or otherwise it will be considered has no claims to the above mentioned Property.

Mr. K. M. Anil Kumar, Advocate,
ANIL KUMAR AND ASSOCIATES,
No.1, 2nd Floor, SRS Complex,
Marathalli, Bangalore - 37.
Mobile No: 98450 75493

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our clients (1) Sri Ananda Gowda, S/o late Narayanappa, (2) Smt.Manjula, W/o.Ananda Gowda, (3) Master Chetan, S/o.Ananda Gowda and (4) Master Yashash S/o.Ananda Gowda, Since No.3 and 4 are minors represented by their natural father and guardian - Sri Ananda Gowda, all are residing at Shyanappanahalli, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District hereby informs the general public that they are absolute owners of the land bearing Sy.No.41/B40 (Old Sy.No.41 Block 40), measuring 0-26 ½ guntas, situated at Shyanappanahalli Village, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District.

In this regard our clients have executed a registered general power of attorney on 14.06.2016 in favour of Sri Anjaneya Reddy, S/o.Srirama Reddy, residing at No.10, Chanakya Provision Store, Devasandra Main Road, Devasandra BVNHS Complex, K.R. Puram, Bangalore-560 036, to deal with the land belongs to our clients.

Our clients informs us that due to some misunderstanding between our clients and the GPA holder Sri Anjaneya Reddy, our clients have already sent legal notice to the GPA holder canceling the GPA executed in his favour authorizing him to deal with the property referred above and have cancelled the registered GPA dt.10.09.2020 Vide Document No.53/2020-21.in the office of Sub-Registrar, Chikkajala.

If in spite of cancellation of GPA, if any person/s / third parties enter into any sort of transactions with the GPA Holder in respect of the above property such an agreement of sale / sale deed etc. the same has no value in the eye of law, so also the same is not binding on our clients. Further, our clients will take suitable legal action against those who involve in the illegal transactions concerning the above property before the competent Court of law.

SCHEDULE

All that part and parcel of the land bearing Sy.No.41/B40 (Old Sy.No.41 Block 40), measuring 0-26 ½ guntas, situated at Shyanappanahalli Village, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, bounded on : East by : Land belongs to Eregowda, West by : Land belongs to Shamanna, North by : Road, South by : Land belongs to Shamanna.

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Advocates, No. 16, 4th Floor, RD Complex, Victory Avenue Building, Hospital Road, Bangalore-560053.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that **Sri B.V. SHANKAR,** S/o Sri.B.V.Venkatagiriah and **Smt.T.J.MALATHI, W/o.Sri.B.V.Shankar,** are desirous to sell their under mentioned property to my client and any person or persons claiming any interest on the under mentioned property or any part thereof, is hereby required to communicate the same to me, with documentary evidence at my office at No.F-4, First floor, BASCO Complex, Gandhibazaar circle, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560004, within 15 days from the date of this publication, as otherwise the said sale will be completed without any reference or regard to any such purported claim or interest, which shall be deemed to have been waived for all intents and purposes.

SCHEDULE

1. All the piece and parcel of the vacant **immovable residential Property bearing Site No.699, having BBMP Khatha No.443/428/356/311/314A,** PID No. 356/311/314A, situated in the layout formed by "REMCO (BHEL) House Building Co-operative Society Limited" situated at Pattanagere Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore District, **measuring East to West 60 feet and North to South 40 feet, totally measuring 2400 Sq.ft.,** and bounded on :

East by : Road;
West by : Site No.692;
North by : Site No.698;
South by : Site No.700.

2. All the piece and parcel of the vacant **immovable residential Property bearing Site No.700, having BBMP Khatha No.446/431/357A/312/315A, PID No. 357A/312/315A,** situated in the layout formed by "REMCO(BHEL) House Building Co-operative Society Limited" situated at Pattanagere Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore District, measuring East to West 60 feet and North to South 40 feet, totally measuring 2400 Sq.ft., and bounded on :

East by : Road;
West by : Site No.691;
North by : Site No.699;
South by : Site No.701.

M.S. MANJUNATH, Advocate
MS Associates
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Zonal Stressed Assets Recovery Branch, Bengaluru: 2nd Floor, (Vijaya Tower), 41/2, M G Road, Trinity Circle, Bengaluru–560 001. Ph: 080-2501 1204 / 280 / 350, Email: armban@bankofbaroda.com

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE/ MOVEABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable / Movable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

15 Days Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s), Mortgagor(s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, possession of which has been taken by the **Authorized Officer of Bank of Baroda, ZOSARB, Bangalore, Secured Creditor,** will be sold by E-auction through website: **https://www.mstcecommerce.com** on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** for recovery of below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Guarantor/s/Mortgagor/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below -

Sr/ Lot No.	Name & address of Borrower/s, Mortgagor/s and Guarantor/ s	Description of the Immovable / Movable Properties	Total Dues	Date & Time of E-Auction	Reserve Price, EMD, Bid Increase Amount. & Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount	Status of Possession (Constructive / Physical)	Property Inspection Date & Time
1)	**1. M/s Signature Décor India Private Limited, Factory Site:** Plot No. 119/81, Sy. No. 57, S/at 3rd Cross, Yerandalli Village, Bommasandra Industrial Area, 4th Phase, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore- 560099. **Regd. Office:** A-158, 1st Floor, Mayfield Garden, Sector 47, Gurgaon, Haryana- 122003 **Admin. Office:** No.9, R K Complex, F Block, Yarandahalli Village, Bommasandra, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore- 560105 **1. Mr. Sahil Miglani S/O Sanjay Miglani,** No.936, 16th Main, BTM Layout, Bangalore- 560076 **2. Mr. Virendra Kumar Dwivedi S/O Sukhdev Prasad Dwivedi** Flat No 202, Anand Nilaya, Nestle Global Distributors, Kammasandra, Bangalore-560099 **3. Mr. Ravindra Vasant Kore S/O Vasant Kore,** Flat No.202, Anand Nilaya, Nestle Global Distributors, Kammasandra, Bangalore- 560099 **4. Ms. Reeta C D/O C S Chandramauli,** No. 73, 3rd Cross, G T Residency, Near Annapurneshwari Nagar, Bangalore- 560068	1) All that piece and parcel of the Building constructed on Industrial Land measuring 21,950 Sq. Feet, situated at Plot No. 119/81, formed in Sy. No.57, KIADB Layout, 3rd Cross, Yerandahalli Village, Bommasandra Industrial Area, 4th Phase, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk Bengaluru-560099 and bounded on: North: Plot No.82, South: Plot No.80, East: Road No.3, West: Plot No.59	**Rs.24,96,92,787.04 (Rupees Twenty Four Crore Ninety Six Lakhs Ninety two Thousand seven Hundred eighty seven & Paisa Four Only) as on 31-07-2020 plus Further interest and other charges.**	**07-10-2020 & From 01:00 PM to 03:00 PM**	**1) Reserve Price: Rs.6,65,00,000/- EMD: Rs.66,50,000/-, Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 06.10.2020 Time: 5.00 PM**	**1) Physical Possession**	**With prior Appointment from Authorised Officer**
		2) All that piece & parcel of the residential building having total built up area of 4000 sq.ft. constructed on Plot No.38 admeasuring 7040 sq.ft. formed in converted land, converted as per official memorandum bearing no.ALN (E.V.H) SR 623/2007-08 and ALN (E.V.H) SR 619/2007-08 dated 22.02.2008 situated at Sy.No.44/1 & 45/1, SKANDA MOKSHA Villa Layout, Balagere-Varthuru Road, Panathuru Village, Varthuru Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk-560 087 North: Plot No.39, South: Plot No.37, East: Internal Road, West: Private Property			**2) Reserve Price: Rs.4,30,65,000/- EMD: Rs.43,06,500/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 06.10.2020, Time: 5.00 PM**	**2) Physical Possession**	
		a) Raiper Weaving G6-900 with Bonas Jacquard of 2688 hooks (Nos.4) b) Raiper weaving G6-300 with Bonas Jacquard by SMT Textile (Nos.16) c) Noordiaan 37 8520 KuurneMeersschaert type one 14 Sl. No. 700403 (Nos. 1) d) Gamtex Prashanth Make Roller (Nos. 1) e) Boiler Shanthi Make 5 Ton Thermofluidic with 60 PSI (Nos. 1) f) Thread Stands (Nos. 1) g) Xerox machine (Nos.1) h) Thread Rolls (34 Gunny bags) i) Thread Boxes (13 boxes)			**3) Reserve Price: Rs.59,75,000/- EMD: Rs.5,97,500/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 25,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 06.10.2020, Time: 5.00 PM**	**3) Physical Possession**	
2)	**1. M/s Nisargalaya Drug Unit Private Ltd. Represented by its Directors 1. Mr. Prabhu P B S/o Byregowda, 2. Mr. Siddesh H M S/o Mooganna Gowda** # 80/A3 Industrial Suburb, 2nd Stage Yeshwantpura, Bangalore- 560022. **Corporate Office:** #190, J P Square, 2nd floor Sankey Road, Sadashivnagar, Bangalore- 560080 **2. Mr. Prabhu P B, s/o Byregowda** No. 9 and No 10, Fortune Valley, Mariannapalya, H A Pharma Post, Near Lumbini Garden, Bangalore-560024 **3. Mr. Siddesh H M, S/o Mooganna Gowda** No 37, 7th cross, Ganesha Block, Mahalakshmi Layout, Bangalore-560086	All that the House with G+1 Floors having built up area of 2520 Sq. Feet each constructed on Site No.9 & 10, Khata No.205-2048/9 & Khata No.205-2048/10, PID No.2048/1038/09 & PID No.2048/1038/10 carved out of converted Sy.No.14, situated at Fortune Valley, Mariyannapalya, Kempapura Main Road, Dasarahalli, Bengaluru-560024 and bounded by: For Site No.9 (East to West – 100 sqft. and North to South – 50 sqft totaling to 5000 sqft.) East: Road, West: Private Property, North: Private Property, South: Site No.10 For Site No.10 (East to West – 100 sqft. and North to South – 50 sqft totaling to 5000 sqft.) East: Road, West: Private Property, North: Site No.9, South: Site No.11	**Rs. 4,33,94,508.70 (Rupees Four Crore Thirty Three Lakhs ninety Four Thousand Five hundred eight and Paisa Seventy Only) as on 31-07-2020 plus Further interest and other charges**	**07-10-2020 & From 01:00 PM to 03:00 PM**	**Reserve Price: Rs.6,84,00,000/- EMD: Rs.68,40,000/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 06-10-2020 Time: 5.00 PM**	**Physical Possession**	**With prior Appointment from Authorised Officer**
3)	**1. Mrs M Chandra W/o Mr. Ramesh K 2. Mr. Ramesh K** Both 1 & 2 are R/O: No.7, Ramaiah Compound Nagappa Street, 5th A Cross, Palace Guttahalli Bangalore– 560003	All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing No.7, (old No.267/1-289), situated at Ward No.77, 5th A Cross Road, Ramaiah Compound, Nagappa Street, Palace Guttahalli, Bangalore-560 003 measuring East to West:73 ft., North to South: Eastern Side:19 ft, Western Side:25 ft, in all measuring 1606 sq.ft. together with 11.5 squares of RCC roofed building (G+2 Floor) and bounded by: East: Property of Muniyamma, West: Road, North: Road & Property belonging to Gopalappa, South: Property belonging to Siddappa	**Rs. 2,86,98,792.00 (Rupees Two Crore Eighty Six Lakhs ninety eight Thousand Seven Hundred ninety Two & Paisa Zero Only) as on 31-07-2020 plus Further interest and other charges.**	**07-10-2020 & From 01:00 PM to 03:00 PM**	**Reserve Price: Rs.1,74,60,000/- EMD: Rs.17,46,000/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 06-10-2020 Time: 5.00 PM**	**Constructive Possession**	**With prior Appointment from Authorised Officer**
4)	**1) Mr. Sanjay Kumar S/O Ramesh Wasaray & 2) Mrs. Priyanka G W/O Sanjay Kumar** both R/O No. 703, Janatha Colony, Malathalli (Kengunte), Bangalore- 560056	All that piece and parcel of the Residential building constructed on Site No: 1, Khatha No. 652/3/4/1, New PID No. 129-W0692-24, S/at MPM Layout, Kengunte, Mallathahalli, Bengaluru- 560056, bounded by: East: Road, West : Property of late Thimmaiah, North: Property of T. Narayan, South : Road, Area of Land: East to West: 38 Feet; North to South: 54 Feet; Total of 2052 Sq. ft.	**Rs. 1,62,63,148.47 (Rupees One Crore Sixty Two Lakhs Sixty Three Thousand One Hundred Forty eight & Paise Forty Seven only) as on 31-07-2020 plus Further interest and other charges.**	**07-10-2020 & From 01:00 PM to 03:00 PM**	**Reserve Price: Rs.2,00,00,000/- EMD: Rs.20,00,000/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 06-10-2020 Time: 5.00 PM**	**Physical Possession**	**With prior Appointment from Authorised Officer**
5)	**1) M/S. Muralikrishna Infracon Bangalore Pvt. Ltd. represented by its Directors Mr. M Muralikrishna & Mrs. Madiraju Jayashree Regd. Address:** No. 7, 4th floor, 2nd cross, 8th Main, Shanbag Narayanappa layout, Opp.Kalpatharu Apartments, kodigehalli (near Tata Nagar) Bangalore 560 092 **Also at:** No.334, Sahkaranagar Post, Tata Nagar, Bangalore- 560092 **2) Mr. M Muralikrishna 3) Mrs. Madiraju Jayashree** Both 2 & 3 R/at Door No.291, 2nd Floor, 1st Main, 8th Cross, Tata Nagar, Bangalore- 560092, **Also at:** Flat No.309, A Block, Unique Concord Apartment, Sy. No.94/4, Lottegollahalli Main Road, Tatanagar, Near Vyasa International School, Bangalore- 560092	1) All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Flat No: 3, in 2nd & 3rd Floor, 3BHK, in the apartment "Living Walls Athena", situated on Site No. 7AM 413, situated at HRBR Layout, 1st Block, Kalyana Nagara, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru- 560043, bounded by: East: Corridor & Flat No. 4, West: Open to Sky, North: Open to Sky , South: Staircase & Lift Area of Flat: Super Built up area of 2788 Sq. ft. & UDS of 916.82 Sq. ft.	**Rs.17,80,21,212.12 (Rupees Seventeen Crore Eighty Lakhs Twenty One Thousand Two Hundred Twelve & Paise Twelve Only) as on 31-07-2020 plus Further interest and other charges**	**07-10-2020 & From 01:00 PM to 03:00 PM**	**1) Reserve Price: Rs. 1,93,59,000/-, EMD: Rs.19,35,900/-, Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 06-10-2020 , Time: 5.00 PM**	**1) Physical Possession**	**With prior Appointment from Authorised Officer**
		2) All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Flat No: A-091, in 9th Floor, 4BHK, having Super Built up area of 3331 Sq. ft. & UDS of 799.44 Sq. ft. in the apartment "Living Walls Another Sky", situated at Horamavu Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore- 560043, bounded by: East :Corridor & Staircase, West :Open to Sky, North: Lift , South:Open to Sky, Area of Flat: Super Built up area of 3331 Sq. ft. & UDS of 799.44 Sq. ft.			**2) Reserve Price: Rs. 2,77,00,000/- EMD: Rs.27,70,000/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 06-10-2020 Time: 5.00 PM**	**2) Physical Possession**	
		3) All that piece and parcel of the Residential building consisting of Stilt+GF+FF+SF+Terrace having total built up area of 6744 Sq. ft. constructed on Site No: 7, Municipal No. 98/45/7, situated at Balaji Layout, AMCO Colony, Koti Hosahalli, Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore- 560092, bounded by: East: Road, West: Property belongs to Sri. Gundappa, North: Property No. 8 , South: Property No. 6. Area of Land: East to West: 59 Feet; North to South: 40 Feet; Total of 2360 Sq. ft.			**3) Reserve Price: Rs.2,86,18,000/- EMD: Rs.28,61,800/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 06-10-2020 Time: 5.00 PM**	**3) Physical Possession**	
		4) All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Site No: 48/3, Khata No. 48/3, Kodigehalli Village, Adjacent to Tata Nagar, Bangalore- 560092, bounded by: **Item No.1:** Eastern Portion of Site No.48/3, East: 60 Feet Road, West: K Nagaraju Property, North: Narayanappa Property , South: Ramakrishnappa's Property **Item No.2:** Western Portion of Site No.48/3, East:Chandrashekar's Property, West :Road, North: Sundaresh's Property , South: Ramakrishnappa's Property Area of Land: Total: 6240 Sq. ft. (Item No.1: 3120 Sq. ft. + Item No.2: 3120 Sq. ft.) **Item No.1:** East to West: 78 Feet; North to South: 40 Feet; **Item No.2:** East to West: 78 Feet; North to South: 40 Feet;			**4) Reserve Price: Rs.5,86,87,000/- EMD: Rs.58,68,700/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 06-10-2020 Time: 5.00 PM**	**4) Physical Possession**	
		5) All that piece and parcel of the under-constructed residential building constructed on Site No: 378, Municipal No. 301/300/378, Indian Institute of Science Employees House Building Co-operative Society Ltd., situated at J.R.D Tatanagara, Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore- 560092, bounded by: East: Road, West: Property No.367, North: Property No. 377, South: Property No. 379 Area of Land: East to West: 60 Feet; North to South: 40 Feet; Total of 2400 Sq. ft. with under-constructed building thereon			**5) Reserve Price: Rs. 2,77,99,000/- EMD: Rs.27,79,900/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 06-10-2020 Time: 5.00 PM**	**5) Physical Possession**	
		6) All that piece and parcel of the residential vacant Site No: 17, New Khatha No. 2633/2673/148/17, situated at 11th Main Road, Adjacent to Tata Nagara, Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru- 560092, bounded by: East:Road, West:Site No.18, North: Site No. 19, South: Road Area of Land: [As per deed- East to West: 47 Feet; North to South: 60 Feet; Total of 2820.00 Sq. ft.] [As per Actual- East to West: (40+51)/2 Feet; North to South: 55 Feet; Total of 2502.50 Sq. ft.]			**6) Reserve Price: Rs. 1,35,13,000/- EMD: Rs. 13,51,300/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 06-10-2020 Time: 5.00 PM**	**6) Physical Possession**	
6)	**M/S. J P Distributors** represented by its partners **Mr. Pradeep Kumar & Mr. Raja. M.C/o Mr. Pradeep Kumar** B-1005, Brigade Palm Springs 10th Floor, JP Nagar 7th Phase Bangalore-560078.	All the below Flats are Constructed on converted land SyNo.8/6, of the then Sarakki Agrahara Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk within the limits of BBMP, Bommanahalli Division Owned by Mr. Raja M S/o M. Muniyappa and Bounded on the. East By: Common Passage, West By: Private House, North By: Stair Case, South By: Private Property.	**Rs.2,84,82,367.24 (Rupees Two Crore Eighty Four Lakhs Eighty Two Thousand Three Hundred Sixt Seven & Paise Twenty Four Only) as on 31-07-2020 plus Further interest and other charges.**	**07-10-2020 & From 01:00 PM to 03:00 PM**			**With prior Appointment from Authorised Officer**
		a) Flat bearing No. T-5 (Flat No.305), BBMP No. 17/14/13/8/6/14/23,Third Floor Himagiri Castle Apartment, 19th cross,20th Main SMS Layout J P Nagar 5th Phase ,Bangalore-560078.			**a) Reserve Price: Rs.70,00,000/-, EMD: Rs.7,00,000/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 06-10-2020, Time: 5.00 PM**	**a) Constructive Possession**	
		b) Flat bearing No. S-5 (Flat No.205), BBMP No. 16/14/13/8/6/14/17,Second Floor Himagiri Castle Apartment, 19th cross,20th Main SMS Layout J P Nagar 5th Phase ,Bangalore-560078.			**b) Reserve Price: Rs.70,00,000/-, EMD: Rs.7,00,000/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 06-10-2020 , Time: 5.00 PM**	**b) Constructive Possession**	
		c) Flat bearing No. G-5 (Flat No.305), BBMP No. 54/14/13/8/6/14/5,Ground Floor Himagiri Castle Apartment, 19th cross,20th Main SMS Layout J P Nagar 5th Phase ,Bangalore-560078.			**c) Reserve Price: Rs.70,00,000/-, EMD: Rs.7,00,000/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 06-10-2020, Time: 5.00 PM**	**c) Constructive Possession**	
		d) Flat bearing No. F-4 (Flat No.104), BBMP No. 59/14/13/8/6/14/10,Third Floor Himagiri Castle Apartment, 19th cross,20th Main SMS Layout J P Nagar 5th Phase ,Bangalore-560078.			**d) Reserve Price: Rs.63,00,000/-, EMD: Rs.6,30,000/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 06-10-2020 Time: 5.00 PM**	**d) Constructive Possession**	
7)	**(1).M/S Bhavana Farms represented by its partners Mr. Sreenivasa, S.Uma & S Anitha** situated at No 208,11th Main, Mahalakshmi Layout, Bnagalore560086 **(2).Mr. N Sreenivas,** Residing at No.296,16th Cross, Sadashivanagar, Bangalore-560080 **(3) Mrs. Uma,** Residing at No.296, 16th Cross, Sadashivanagar, Bangalore-560080 **(4).Mrs. Anitha** Residing at No.296, 16th Cross, Sadashivanagar, Bangalore-560080.	All that piece and parcel of the EM of Property bearing Municipal No.17 (old No.315) Situated at 15th cross Road, Sadashivanagar, and Municipal Ward No.99 of Aramane Nagar, Bangalore and Measuring East to West: 61 Feet and North to South: 40 Feet totally admeasuring 2440 Sq. Feet along with construction thereon belonging to Mr. N. Sreenivasa and S. Uma and bounded by: East By: Property Bearing No.303, North By: Property Bearing No.314,WestBy: Road, South By: Road	**Rs.1,19,56,160.56 (Rupees One Crore nineteen Lakhs Fifty Six Thousand One Hundred Sixty & Paise Fifty Six only) as on 31-07-2020 plus Further interest and other charges.**	**07-10-2020 & From 01:00 PM to 03:00 PM**	**Reserve Price: Rs.8,45,00,000/- EMD: Rs. 84,50,000/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 06-10-2020 Time: 5.00 PM**	**Constructive Possession**	**With prior Appointment from Authorised Officer**

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to the link provided in https://ibapi.in and https://www.bankofbaroda.in/e-auction.htm. Also, prospective bidders may contact the authorized officer on Tel No. 080-25011204/210/280/350 Mobile: 9666556556

Date: 17-09-2020, Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorized Officer, ZOSARB, Bank of Baroda**

1,097 nurses
have died due to Covid-19, as per a conservative estimate from International Council of Nurses

GLOBAL WEATHER
LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	27	13	SNY	Los Angeles	31	17	SNY
Colombo	30	25	TDS	Melbourne	14	9	LR
Dhaka	33	26	LC	Moscow	20	8	TDS
Dubai	40	27	SNY	New York	25	17	LC
Houston	32	23	LC	Singapore	31	25	LR
Istanbul	28	19	LC	Toronto	17	7	LR
London	21	12	SNY	Washington	26	24	LC

Pakistan govt gets 3 FATF bills through parliament

ISLAMABAD

THE Pakistani government on Wednesday managed to pass three Financial Action Task Force (FATF) related bills in a joint session of parliament despite opposition protests.

Earlier in the day, the country's senate rejected the Anti-Terrorism Act (amendment) Bill, 2020, a day after it was passed by the lower house, making it the third FATF-related legislation to have been blocked by the Opposition-dominated upper house.

According to the bill, the investigating officer, with the permission of the court, can conduct covert operations to detect terrorism funding, track communications and computer system in 60 days. The court may extend the period for another 60 days.

The bill said funding for terrorism was a major obstacle in the country's development and a source of disgrace to it. Terrorism funding was benefiting those elements which were not only a threat to internal and external peace of the country but also its allies, it said.

Last month, the Anti-Money Laundering (Second Amendment) Bill and the Islamabad Capital Territory Waqf Properties Bill, were rejected by Pakistan's Opposition-dominated Senate last month, jeopardising the government's efforts to escape from being blacklisted by the global money laundering and terrorist financing watchdog. The legislations were part of efforts by Pakistan to move from the FATF's grey list to the white list. The FATF put Pakistan on the grey list in June 2018 and asked Islamabad to implement a plan of action to curb money laundering and terror financing by the end of 2019 but the deadline was extended. *PTI*

US vaccine playbook aims at free universal coverage

Govt plans to have vials ready to ship 24 hours after authorisation

WASHINGTON

THE government outlined a sweeping plan Wednesday to make vaccines for Covid-19 available for free to all Americans, assuming a safe and effective shot is developed, even as top health officials faced questions about political interference with virus information reaching the public.

In a report to Congress and an accompanying "playbook" for states and localities, federal health agencies and the Defense Department sketched out complex plans for a vaccination campaign to begin gradually in January or even late this year, eventually ramping up to reach any American who wants a shot. The Pentagon would be involved with the distribution of vaccines, but civilian health workers would be the ones giving shots.

The CDC playbook for states says it is "much larger in scope and complexity than seasonal influenza or other previous outbreak-related vaccination responses." Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Director Dr. Robert Redfield said the his agency will be working with state health officials to execute the vaccination plan in coming days.

Although President Donald Trump asserted Tuesday in an ABC News town hall that a vaccine could be three to four weeks away, officials made it clear to reporters on a call Wednesday that widespread availability would take months.

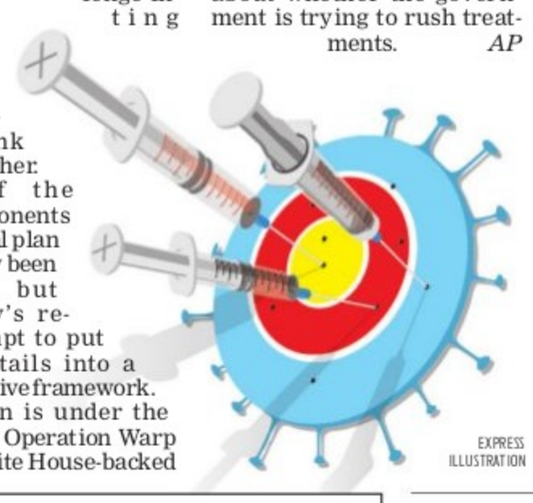
"Early in (the) COVID-19 vaccination program there may be a limited supply of vaccine and vaccine efforts may focus on those critical to the response, providing direct care and maintaining societal functions, as well as those at highest risk for developing severe illness," Redfield said. A second and third phase would expand vaccination to the entire population.

Broad tech effort planned

A massive information technology effort will be needed to track who is getting which vaccines and when, and the key challenge involves getting multiple public and private databases to link with each other.

Some of the broad components of the federal plan have already been discussed, but Wednesday's reports attempt to put the key details into a comprehensive framework. Distribution is under the umbrella of Operation Warp Speed, a White House-backed initiative to have vaccines ready to ship in 24 hours from when a version is given emergency use approval by the FDA. Several formulations are undergoing final trials.

However, public skepticism remains. Of the Americans who said in the May AP poll that they wouldn't get vaccinated, the overwhelming majority said they were worried about safety. Since the poll, questions have only mounted about whether the government is trying to rush treatments. *AP*



EXPRESS ILLUSTRATION

Highlights of the campaign

❶ For most vaccines, people will need **two doses, 21 to 28 days apart**. Double-dose vaccines will have to come from the same drugmaker. There could be several vaccines from different manufacturers approved and available

❷ Due to limited supply initially, the focus will be on **essential workers and at-risk people**. A 2nd or 3rd phase of the campaign will reach the whole population

❸ The Covid-19 vaccine itself will be free of charge, and **patients won't be charged out of pocket** for the administration of injections by medics

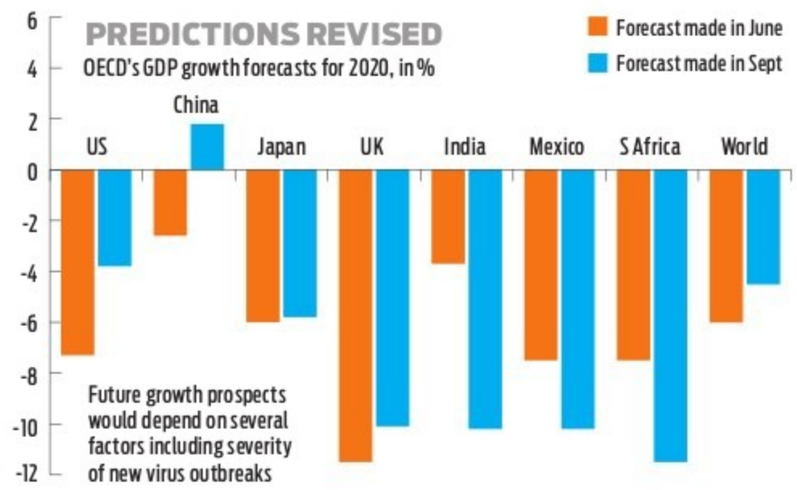
70% To effectively protect the nation, experts say upwards of 70% of Americans must either be vaccinated or have their own immunity from fighting off Covid19

GLOBAL ECONOMIC OUTLOOK NOT AS BLEAK AS EXPECTED: REPORT

The global economy is not doing as bad as previously expected, especially in the United States and China, said the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). However, GDP forecasts for emerging markets such as India were severely downgraded by the Paris-based international watchdog

The problem is that this V-shaped recovery is not going to happen. What we are saying is number one, don't take away the support, don't take away the relief, too fast

OECD Secretary General Angel Gurria told *Bloomberg TV*



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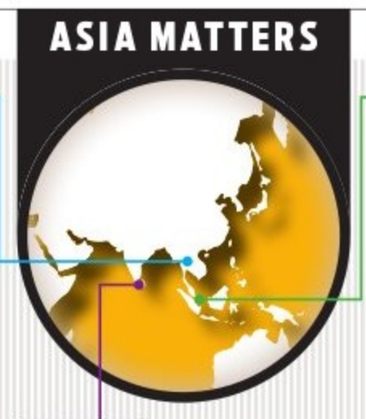

THAILAND

1,200 foreign tourists to be let in every month

Thailand's Cabinet has approved in principle a plan to reopen the country to tourists by issuing special renewable 90-day visas and limiting their numbers to 1,200 a month. Deputy Government Spokeswoman Traisulee Traisaranakul says the program, proposed to begin next month, is an effort to boost the economy, especially the tourism sector. Under the plan, visitors would stay in quarantine at a hotel or hospital for 14 days on arrival and show confirmation they've made arrangements for long-term accommodations. The cost of the "special tourist visa" would be 2,000 baht ($64), with the same charge for each of two allowed renewals. Thai health officials on Tuesday reported five new cases, from people arriving from abroad.

SRI LANKA

Govt seeks $1.8 mn from owners of oil tanker

Sri Lanka on Wednesday asked for a claim of $1.8 million from the Greek owners of the oil tanker that caught fire off the country's eastern waters, for costs incurred on dousing the flames. The Panama registered MT (Motor Tanker) New Diamond, a Greek-owned vessel and under charter by the Indian Oil Corporation, was carrying nearly two million barrels of crude oil from Kuwait to the Indian port of Paradip when it caught fire off the coast of Sangamankanda on Sept 3.

SINGAPORE

China's Tencent expands in Southeast Asia

Chinese tech giant Tencent said Tuesday it was opening a new Singapore office to serve as a Southeast Asia hub, as the firm reels from setbacks in the US and India. The firm is the latest Chinese tech leader to expand in the region of 650 million with a rapidly growing middle class, and using the city-state as a base. Tencent announced the new office in a statement, and said it was "expanding its business presence in Singapore to support our growing business in Southeast Asia and beyond". The company, which already has offices in Malaysia, Thailand and Indonesia, said it was recruiting for various positions. Bloomberg News, citing anonymous sources, reported the company's plans for establishing a regional hub in Singapore had been accelerated by geopolitical tensions.

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11-CECNMS-20-21-E-27568, dt.08.09.2020
Name of the work: Proposed new BG line between Madurai and Tuticorin Via. Aruppukottai; Milavittan – Melamarudhur section. Proposed construction of side drains and providing trolley refuges in high banks and miscellaneous works between MILAVITTAN and MELAMARUDHUR. Approximate Cash Value: ₹**4,50,30,587.56**, Earnest Money Deposit (Rupees): ₹**3,75,200.00**, Period of Completion in Months : **SIX**

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DIPR/ 3479 /TENDER/2020

BEFORE THE HON'BLE DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL II AT BANGALORE
No.4, Jeevan Mangal Building, Residence Road, Bangalore.

O.A. NO. 379/2019
Between:
M/s. Axis Bank Limited ...Applicant
And:
Mr. Pradip Kumar Mukherjee and Others ..Respondents

SUMMONS ISSUED TO DEFENDANT UNDER RULE 23 (VIII) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES OF 1993 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

TO,
M/s. DLF Southern Homes Pvt. Ltd.
Represented its registered office at: #7/4, 1st Floor, Thapar Nikethan, Brunton Road, Bangalore-560025.
Represented by its Managing Director
...Defendant No.4

Whereas, the Applicant has instituted an application under section 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institution Act, 1993 against you the above Defendants for recovery of **Rs.30,44,584.02/-** (Rupees Thirty Lakh Forty Four Thousand Five Hundred and Eighty Four and Paisa Two Only) together with current and future interest, cost and other relief's.

You the above mentioned Defendants are required to appear before the Tribunal in person or through your counsel and produce relevant documents in your defense and show cause on **08.12.2020 at 10.30 am** and as to why the reliefs prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of nonappearance the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this **8th** Day of **September** of the **2020.**

The Registrar, DRT-II
Debts Recovery Tribunal
Bengaluru

TIRUPATHI SMART CITY CORPORATION LIMITED
C/o. Tirupati Municipal Corporation,
13-29-M9-1-00, Tilak Road, East TIRUPATI,Pin Code : 517501
Chittoor District, Andhra Pradesh, India. e-mail: tsccltirupati@gmail.com

Managing Director, Tirupati Smart City Corporation Limited, Tirupati invites Tenders on e-Procurement platform from **the " eligible contractors "** for the following Works :
NIT Number : TSCCL / NIT/40, Dated: September 15th, 2020

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

IFB No.	Name of the work	Estimate Contract Value (In INR)
16/20-21 / Smart City / TO, Dated: September 16th, 2020	Tender document for **" Design, Supply, Erection, Testing and Commissioning of 33/0.433 KV 500 KVA Transformers (Conversion from 11 KV to 33 KV for Solar Captive Consumption) at Ramapuram, K.P Canal and MD Puttur Pump Houses"** Under Implementation of the Smart City Mission in Tirupati - (01st Call)	Rs. 1.11 Crore
17/20-21/ Smart City / TO, Dated: September 16th, 2020	Tender Document for **"Design, Supply, Erection, Testing and Commissioning of 33/0.433 KV 500 KVA Substation Civil and Electrical works including CEIG, STOA/LTOA and other related Approvals (Conversion from 11KV to 33KV for Solar Captive Consumption) at Ramapuram, K.P. Canal and MD Puttur Pump Houses"** under Implementation of the Smart City Mission in Tirupati - (01st Call)	Rs. 1.31 Crore
18/20-21 / Smart City / TO, Dated: September 16th, 2020	Tender Document for **"Beautification of Streets and Landscaping of Karakambadi Road"** under implementation of the Smart City Mission in Tirupati - Tender Work - (01st call)	Rs. 1.60 Crore
09(02nd call) / 20-21 / Smart City / TO, Dated: September 16th, 2020	Tender Document for **"Civil Works for 50 TPD Organic Waste Processing Plant"** under implementation of the Smart City Mission in Tirupati - (02nd Call)	Rs 81.00 Lakh

Tirupati Smart City Corporation Limited hereby issued this notice for inviting Tenders for the attention of all potential bidders for the above said Tenders to participate and for other particulars please contact Executive Engineer during office working hours and above said detailed tenders can be downloaded from the e-procurement market place at https://tender.aperprocurement.gov.in.

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Trump denies downplaying Covid-19

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FIELDING compelling questions about voters' real-world problems, Donald Trump denied during a televised town hall that he had played down the threat of the coronavirus earlier this year, although there is an audio recording of him stating he did just that.

Trump, in what could well be a preview of his performance in the presidential debates less than two weeks away, cast doubt on the widely accepted scientific conclusions of his own administration strongly urging the use of face coverings and seemed to bat away the notion that the US has racial inequities.

"Well, I hope there's not a race problem," Trump said when asked about his campaign rhetoric seeming to ignore the historical injustices carried out against Black Americans.

Face-to-face with everyday voters for the first time in months, Trump was defensive but resisted agitation as he was pressed on his administration's response to the Covid-19 pandemic and why he doesn't more aggressively promote the use of masks to reduce the spread of the disease.

"There are people that don't think masks are good," Trump said, though his own CDC urges their use.

The event, hosted by ABC News' George Stephanopoulos, was a warmup of sorts before Trump faces Joe Biden in the first presidential debate on Sept. 29. Taped at the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia, it featured Trump taking questions from an audience of just 21 voters. *AP*

Science magazine makes first prez endorsement in 175 yrs, taps Biden

NEW YORK

EVEN though Scientific American had never endorsed a presidential candidate in the magazine's 175-year history, its top editor said Tuesday there was little internal debate over a decision to back Democrat Joe Biden.

Editor-in-Chief Laura Helmuth said President Donald Trump's administration was much worse for the scientific community than the magazine had feared.

Ex-VP Joe Biden | AP

The magazine's endorsement was posted online Tuesday, a day after Trump questioned the science of climate change in relation to the California wildfires. Helmuth said the timing was coincidental and the editorial was written during the past two months.

Scientific American said that "the evidence and the science show that Trump has basically damaged the US and its people because he rejects evidence and science." The editorial by senior editor Josh Fischman sharply condemned Trump for his handling of the coronavirus pandemic. The magazine criticised Trump for seeking cutbacks in scientific funding and hobbling the US response to climate change. Biden, the magazine said, "has a record of following the data and being guided by science."

There's been some pushback. Helmuth said the magazine has been monitoring requests for canceled subscriptions and has received some — many from people who weren't subscribers. Conservative columnist S.E. Cupp tweeted that while she agreed with the magazine's arguments and planned to vote for Biden, "I do have mixed feelings on whether this is a good use of scientific clout and credibility." *AP*

STORM IN THE SOUTH

Flood waters gush by on the streets of Pensacola, Florida, on Wednesday after Hurricane Sally made landfall in the US. The storm lumbered ashore near the Florida-Alabama line with 165 kmh winds, swamping homes and trapping people in high water as it crept inland for what could be a long, slow and disastrous drenching across the US Deep South | AP

EXPRESS READ

Japan's new PM Suga pledges to tackle virus

Tokyo: Japan's new Prime Minister Yoshihide Suga pledged Wednesday to keep coronavirus infections under control and kickstart an economy in recession, as Shinzo Abe left office after a record-breaking tenure. In his first remarks after being elected by parliament earlier Wednesday, Suga emphasised his will be a cabinet of continuity, seeking to further the policies championed by Abe. He sidestepped questions on the possibility of a snap election to consolidate his position.

Thomas Cook brand in new digital avatar

London: The Chinese-owned Thomas Cook brand relaunched Wednesday as an online travel agency following the British group's collapse last year. "The new 'Covid-ready' travel company will initially sell holidays to destinations on the government's safe travel corridor list," said Thomas Cook, which is owned by Fosun Tourism Group. Thomas Cook's demise one year ago sparked 22,000 job losses worldwide.

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
258.5 ▲	Sensex	39,302.85	₹13 ▲	24 carat (1 gm)	₹5,158	₹500 ▼	Per kg	₹69,000	▼ Dollar		73.52
82.75 ▲	Nifty	11,604.55	₹13 ▲	22 carat (1 gm)	₹5,058	₹0.50 ▼	Per gm	₹69	▼ Euro		87.26

FM moves bill in Lok Sabha to bring urban cooperative banks under RBI

Sitharaman argued that stress in these banks amid the Covid-19 crisis prompted the move

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE Banking Regulation (Amendment) Bill, 2020 was passed in the Lok Sabha on Wednesday against the backdrop of the deteriorating condition of cooperative banks in the country. With this new bill, the central government seeks to bring cooperative banks under the supervision of the Reserve Bank of India.

"For the last two years, depositors of cooperative banks and small banks are facing problems. We are trying to bring this amendment to protect the depositors. As in some unfortunate situation in banks, depositors are put to hardship requiring the regulator to bring a moratorium and to solve the problem seems to consume all the time," finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman said in Lok Sabha on Wednesday.

The Bill was first introduced in March during the Budget session. However, it could not be passed due to Covid-19 pandemic. In June, the Union Cabinet approved the ordinance to bring 1,482 urban and 58 multi-state cooperative banks under the supervision of the central bank. The financial health of 227 urban co-operative banks is poor and 105 such banks are unable to even meet the minimum regulatory capital requirements, while 47 have negative networth, and over 300 have more than 15 per cent gross NPA (March 2019 figure)," said the minister.

"Due to the pandemic, the stress in cooperative banks increased and the gross NPA ratio increased from 7.27 per cent in March 2019 to over 10 per cent in March 2020. Therefore it was felt that to protect depositors' interest we should have the ordinance brought in," she added.

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The co-operative banks are also being brought under the RBI regulation for their reconstruction, if possible without any moratorium, to protect the interest of depositors. It shall not touch primary agriculture credit societies or other co-operative societies, but only the concerns of the cooperatives involved in banking, she noted.

According to experts, the move should improve the confidence in the cooperative banks and the interest of all stakeholders would be protected in long run.

PMC Bank approaches FinMin to raise capital

ANURADHA SHUKLA @ New Delhi

STUCK for nearly a year and with no immediate resolution in sight, fraud-hit Punjab and Maharashtra Cooperative Bank (PMC) has approached the central government to help the management in coming out of the mess.

According to the sources in the finance ministry, the bank has asked the government to help them in getting funds as they are unable to raise money on its own.

"The depositors' money is still stuck as the bank do not have adequate fund. The management tried to raise money and is even working for mergers but nothing has materialised so far. The bank wants the government to help in persuading the market and other banks to help come out," said a senior finance ministry official.

After the investigative agencies detected a fraud in PMC last year, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) took control and capped withdrawals. Consequently, thousands of PMC depositors have not been unable to access their deposits since last one year.

Last month, the RBI told the Delhi High Court that currently it would not be possible to raise the withdrawal limit beyond ₹1 lakh imposed on the bank, citing lack of liquidity as against a total deposit liability of ₹10,000 crore as on March 26, 2020, liquid assets available with the PMC bank were to the tune of ₹2,955.73 crore which is "grossly insufficient" to fully pay all its depositors, as reasons.

As suggested by a Reuters report, PMC Bank had approached other banks over a "possible merger" as its effort to recover funds from a big borrower has been disrupted by the coronavirus outbreak, the bank's administrator said in a court filing on September 10. And while this case prompted the government to pass the Banking Regulation (Amendment) Bill in the Lok Sabha, by bringing cooperative banks under the purview of RBI, no action has been initiated to give relief to the depositors of PMC bank.

'PRIMARY CONCERN OF BANKS SHOULD BE DEPOSITORS'

The primary concern of the banking system has to be protection of depositors' interests. There are crores of depositors while the number of borrowers may only be in lakhs. "Now, there are small depositors, middle class people, retired persons who depend on deposit income, their interest has be to protected," said the governor. The RBI believes that the two year restructuring window allowed for companies impacted due to the Covid-19 was a fine balancing act to maintain interest of both borrowers and depositors, while avoiding a repeat of high levels of NPAs.

Economic recovery likely to be gradual, says RBI Guv

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

TAKING into consideration the high-frequency indicators such as manufacturing, trade and agriculture, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) is convinced that the economic recovery is likely to be gradual as against a "V" shaped bounce back indicated by economists close to the finance ministry. While some sectors are showing signs of stability, India Inc needs to focus on five areas — human capital in education and health, productivity, exports, tourism and food processing — to drive growth, said RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das.

"The recovery is, not yet fully entrenched and moreover, in some sectors, the uptick, which was noticed in June and July they appear to have levelled off. By all indications the recovery is likely to be gradual as efforts towards the reopening of the economy are confronted with rising infections," Das said, while addressing a virtual event organised by industry body FICCI. He added that agricultural activity, the purchasing managers' index that is PMI for manufacturing and certain private estimates on unemployment point to some stabilisation of economic activity in the second quarter of the current year, while of course contractions in several other sectors are also simultaneously easing.

Das also assured that the central bank remains 'battle-ready' to take measures to support the economy. According to him, the immediate policy response to Covid-19 in the country has been to prioritise the stabilisation of the economy and support quick recovery policies, but policies for durable and sustainable high growth in the medium term post the pandemic is equally critical. Businesses, as such, would need to capitalise on the new opportunities created by the crisis at the global level, Das pointed out.

Responding to requests of further relaxation from the industry bodies, Das said the resolution framework has to be a careful and balanced call on the part of the RBI.

"We don't want to be back in the situation that was five years ago, when NPA levels of banks had risen very steeply, but we are also mindful of the fact that Covid has negatively impacted a large number of businesses and they need relief. Emphasis will be to assist such companies so that they return to normalcy," he said.

Revenue of Indian airlines falls 85% to ₹3,651 cr in the first quarter of FY21

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

HIT hard by the Covid-19 pandemic, revenue of Indian airlines fell by over 85 per cent to ₹3,651 crore during the first quarter of current financial year (FY21), Aviation Minister Hardeep Singh Puri stated in a written reply in Rajya Sabha.

He also informed that the airlines have asked the government to set up an interest free credit line of at least $1.5 billion for the sector. According to information provided by the minister, the soon to be sold national carrier Air India's total revenue reduced from ₹7,066 crore during the April-June 2019 period to ₹1,531 crore during Q1 FY21. Puri said that government has no other option but to divest its stake in the airline or close its operations.

Revenue earned by Air India and Air India Express from "Vande Bharat Mission" (VBM) flights up to August 31, 2020 stood at ₹2,021 crore and ₹415 crore respectively, according to Puri's written reply.

Two listed airlines, SpiceJet and IndiGo, had earlier reported a steep decline in their Q1 profit and revenue due to suspension of flight during most part of the quarter.

IndiGo's revenue fell 92 per cent in Q1 and it reported losses worth ₹2,844 crore, while SpiceJet posted a net loss of ₹593 crore in the first quarter and its revenue plunged by 82.6 per cent to ₹521 crore. Both the airlines highlighted the current difficulties faced by the sector but said there is an improvement in the passenger traffic month-on-month.

According to latest DGCA data, domestic airlines flew 28.32 lakh passengers in August, up from 21.07 lakh in July. However, year-on-year, the traffic was down by 76 per cent.

Airlines have also asked for banks and financial institutions to defer repayment of loans by six months, Puri said.

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ICICI BANK

ICICI Bank has reported a steady quarter amidst a tough macro environment. Earnings were in line despite the bank prudently making higher provisions toward COVID-19. Overall, the moratorium book has declined, but it is still higher v/s peers. We expect credit cost to remain elevated at 3.2%/2.0% for FY21/FY22E.

—Motilal Oswal Financial Services

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Amid border stand-off, Flipkart bags $62.8 mn from China's Tencent

BISMAH MALIK @ Bengaluru

AMIDST heightened border tensions between China and India, homegrown e-commerce major Flipkart has got a fresh $62.8 million investment from the Chinese internet giant Tencent Holdings, showed regulatory filings sourced from business intelligence platform, paper.vc. The fund has been raised through Flipkart's Singapore-based parent entity and is likely a part of the larger $1.2 billion round which was announced by the e-tailer in July.

The fundraise also comes at a time when the Chinese tech investors including Tencent, Alibaba and Bytedance are moving their headquarters to Singapore amid a furore in the US and India over data privacy and control issues by the Chinese government, which could potentially prove to be a national security threat.

The Indian government has also issued new Foreign Direct Investment guidelines requiring prior approval of the regulators for investments from countries that share a border with India.

App developer Tencent currently is the largest minority stakeholder in Flipkart (4-5 per cent stake) valued at over $1 billion. Tencent's popular game, Player Unknown's Battle Underground (PUBG) was recently banned by the Indian government which led to at least 2 per cent share drop intra-day in the Chinese company, amounting to $14 billion. India accounts for a minimal revenue for Tencent for its PUBG app, but has nearly 35 per cent of the overall app downloads, according to data from Sensor Tower.

Larger round

Flipkart had raised $1.2 billion in July in a round led by its majority stakeholder Walmart and others.

The US retail behemoth currently holds 81 per cent stake in Flipkart valued at over $18 billion. Walmart's recent announcement of over $1 billion funds infusion in Flipkart was slated to happen in two tranches this fiscal year.

The e-commerce firm is trying to edge out rivals Amazon and JioMart in the tightly contested e-commerce space especially as demand peaks up during the upcoming festival season sales.

Earlier, Flipkart announced that it will create 70,000 direct jobs and hire lakhs of indirect roles in India to cater to the increased demand.

NSE to fully divest 37.5% stake in CAMS via public offer

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

CHENNAI-BASED Computer Age Management Services (CAMS), which acts as a registrar and transfer agent (RTA) for mutual funds, on Wednesday announced its initial public offering (IPO), targeting to raise ₹2,240 crore from investors amid the liquidity flush. The offer will see sale of 1,82,46,600 equity shares or 37.4 per cent stake by NSE Investments, the subsidiary of National Stock Exchange (NSE).

The entire quantum of shares being sold to investors is NSE's holding and there will not be any new issue of shares which may see money coming into the company. Chief executive Anuj Kumar said NSE decided to sell its entire holding in the company after capital markets watchdog Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) directing the top equity bourse to pare its holding in the company.

The company counts on other investors including private equity major Warburg Pincus and the HDFC Group, who will continue to be invested. The issue will open on September 21 and close of September 23. Before that, the anchor investors' portion will open on September 18, it added.

Half of the issue is reserved for qualified institutional buyers, 35 per cent to retail investors, 15 per cent to non-institutional bidders and there is a reservation of 1.82 lakh shares for employees, who will get the shares at a 10 per cent discount. The price band has been set at between ₹1,229-1,230 per share and the company will raise ₹2,242 crore at the upper end of the band.

The issue is being managed by Kotak Mahindra Capital Co Ltd, HDFC Bank Ltd, ICICI Securities Ltd and Nomura Financial Advisory and Securities (India) Pvt Ltd.

EXPRESS READ

Two more senior executives at GoAir quit

New Delhi: Budget carrier GoAir continues to see the exodus of senior management level personnel with two more executives, including its Head of Flight Operations Nikhil Ved, parting ways with the Nusli Wadia-promoted no-frills airline, PTI reported quoting sources. Their departure comes close on the heels of half-a-dozen other executives, including the then CEO Vinay Dube quitting the carrier last month, whose majority of the employees are on "Leave Without Pay" mode.

India's GDP to contract by 8.6% in FY21: UBS

New Delhi: Swiss brokerage UBS Securities said it forecasts a GDP contraction of 8.6 per cent in FY21 as against its earlier prediction of 5.8 per cent, citing factors including the "modest" government response to the crisis for its estimate. It added that the country's potential rate of growth has also come down to 5.75-6.25 per cent as per its estimate as against 7.1 per cent, driven by factors such as the weak government response to arrest the growth slide.

Indo-China trade deficit contracts to $5.8 bn in April-June this year

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

INDIA's trade deficit with China came down to $5.8 billion in the April-June 2020-21 period from $13.1 billion in the same period of the last financial year, Commerce & Industry Minister Piyush Goyal said in a written reply to the Lok Sabha. Total trade between the two nations slipped to $16.55 billion in Q1 FY21 from $21.42 billion in the April-June period of 2019-20.

"The government has consistently taken steps to balance our trade with China by increasing our exports to China and to reducing our dependence on imports from China," Goyal said. India's export to China increased to $ 5.53 billion in Q1FY21, from $4.16 billion in Q1 FY20, even as both the nations observed strict lockdown to contain coronavirus outbreak during the quarter.

"Appropriate use of trade remedies by way of safeguard, countervailing and anti-dumping duties have been used to protect our industry from unfair trade practices adopted by trading partners. Government has made certain changes in the FDI policy and public procurement policy to safeguard the national interest," said Goyal. In FY20, India's trade deficit with China was $48.64 billion which was lower than the trade deficit of $53.56 billion in FY19, according to the data.

In a separate reply to the Lok Sabha, Goyal also said that at present, about 550 tariff lines (or products) are under the restricted/prohibited category for imports under the Foreign Trade Policy. Imports of these products are restricted from all countries, including China.

CONTINUOUS STEPS TO LOWER TRADE BARRIERS

The Centre has been taking steps to bridge the trade deficit by lowering trade barriers for Indian exports to China as well, Goyal said. The two nations also agreed to increase bilateral trade in a more balanced manner.

GO DIGITAL

Titan-SBI unveil contactless payment watches

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

TITAN Company Ltd has partnered with the country's largest lender State Bank of India (SBI) to launch contactless payment watches. Known as Titan Pay, Titan and SBI are launching a range of stylish new watches with contactless payment functionality, powered by YONO SBI, for the first time in the country.

With this launch, SBI account holders can tap their Titan Pay watch on contactless payment POS machine without the need of swiping or inserting their SBI bank card. Payments of up to ₹2,000 can be made without entering a PIN.

A secure certified Near-Field Communication (NFC) chip embedded in the watch strap by Tappy Technologies enables all the functionalities of a standard contactless SBI debit card. The payment feature on these watches will be accessible on over two million contactless MasterCard-enabled Point-of-Sale (POS) machines, the company said in a statement.

This collection of Titan watches include three styles for men and two for women and are priced between ₹2,995 and ₹5,995. "Titan has always been at the pinnacle of design and innovation. We have always launched products to cater to the changing needs of our consumers. SBI is the perfect partner to introduce a payment solution for the new normal that is fast, secure and seamless. This product will not only satisfy the consumer's banking needs but will also serve today's evolving consumers with its classic and sophisticated designs," C K Venkataraman, managing director, Titan Company Limited, said, while addressing reporters through a virtual event.

Sharing his thoughts on the association, Rajnish Kumar, chairman, SBI said, "We believe this innovative offering will redefine the shopping experience for our customers with Tap & Pay technology."

> This product will not only satisfy the consumer's banking needs but will also serve today's evolving consumers with its classic and sophisticated designs
>
> C K Venkataraman, MD, Titan Company Ltd

KSEB KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED - E –TENDER NOTICE

Office of the State Nodal Officer, Soura Project – Thiruvananthapuram

Tender * KSEBL # EPC # 2021 #ET# 44 *Empanelling Contractors for implementing grid connected Roof Top Solar Power plants of various capacities agrgregating to 150MWp under Soura Phase - II subsidy scheme in Domestic Sector against capacity allocation from MNRE for the years 2019-2020 and 2020-21 in line with the Phase II subsidy programme of Ministry of New and Renewable Energy * PAC : Rs. 600 crore * Last Date : 24-09-2020

Visit www.kseb.in ,www.mstcecommerce.com Ref. PR/MC1/ E 229/E-Tender/2020

Tumakuru Smart city Limited, Tumakuru

Sri Mahalakshmi Arcade, S.S Puram Main Road, Coffee Board Colony, Tumakuru-572102

Website: www.smartcitytumakuru.in Phone: 0816-2278190

email:smartcitytumakuru@gmail.comCIN:U74999KA2017PLC099774

No:TSCL/Tender/CR/12/2020-21 Date:16.09.2020

Re-Tender Notification

Tender has been Re-invited from eligible Contractors for the work **"Procuring and Installing furniture for PU College including Additional Classroom, Tumakuru. Tender amount is Rs.79,27,000/-, EMD is Rs.1,58,600/-** Last date for Bid submission is 30.09.2020 up to 16:00hrs and Tender opening will be on 01.10.2020, 16:00hrs. The eligible Contractors may apply by downloading the Tender Document through e-procurement portal www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in. For more information contact Tumakuru Smart City Office.

Sd/- Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer, Tumakuru Smart City Limited, Tumkur.

DIPR/TUM/239/MCA/2020-21

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer, Gandhinagara Division, Bashyam Park, South Central Street, Bengaluru-560020

No.:EE(GNR)/E-Proc/005/2020-21 Date : 16-09-2020

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER

(Through GoK e-Procurement Portal only) (Two Cover System)KW4

The Government of Karnataka, vide G.O.No. UDD/199/SFC/2016(P-I), Dated: 21.06.2016 has accorded in Principle approval and sanctioned budget for taking up of the works listed below.

The Executive Engineer Gandhinagara Division, BBMP, Bengaluru on behalf of the Commissioner, BBMP invites Tenders from eligible appropriate class contractors for the construction works detailed below.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work	EMD (Rs. in Lakhs)
1	Comprehensive Development of Roads drains footpath Culverts and other development works in Ward No.94 and 95. Period of completion: **06 months** including monsoon.	15.90

Calendar of Events: (1) Tender documents may be downloaded from GoK e-Procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** from **30.09.2020. (2)** Pre-bid meeting: **05.10.2020 at 4.00 PM at the office of Chief Engineer, Office (West). (3)** Last date for submission of tender documents through e-procurement portal: **12.10.2020 upto 4.00 PM. (4)** Date of opening of Technical Bid: **14.10.2020 at 12.30 PM at above office.** Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours on working days or from website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Gandhinagara Division

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NATIONAL SEEDS CORPORATION LIMITED(NSC)

(A GOVERNMENT OF INDIA UNDERTAKING)

22-C, SIDCO (N), INDL. ESTATE, AMBATTUR, CHENNAI-600 050

Tel: 044 - 26256192, 26242363

No.3(OS-MKTG)/NSC-CHN/2020-21 Date: 16.09.2020

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

(I). Sealed Tenders/ e-Tenders are invited from the reputed seed producer/Supplier of Paddy / Jyothi Seeds. The e-tender ID-23333. Due date and time of tender bid submission(Offline/Online) is 30.09.2020 upto 14:00Hrs.

For detailed information log on to the website **https://indiaseeds.eproc.in & www.indiaseeds.com**

Regional Manager

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ

ಅಲ್ಪಸಂಖ್ಯಾತರ ನಿರ್ದೇಶನಾಲಯ

20 ಮತ್ತು 21ನೇ ಮಹಡಿ, ವಿ.ವಿ ಗೋಪುರ, ಡಾ. ಬಿ.ಆರ್ ಅಂಬೇಡ್ಕರ್ ವೀಧಿ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು-560001.

ಸಂ: ಅಸಂನಿ/ಕೌ.ತ/ಒಆರ್-01/2020-21 ದಿನಾಂಕ: **14.09.2020**

ದಿನಾಂಕ ವಿಸ್ತರಣೆ

2020-21ನೇ ಸಾಲಿಗೆ ಅಲ್ಪಸಂಖ್ಯಾತರ ಯುವಕ/ಯುವತಿಯರಿಗೆ ಕೌಶಲ್ಯ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಉದ್ಯಮಶೀಲತೆ ಮತ್ತು ಜೀವನೋಪಾಯ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಿಂದ ತರಬೇತಿಯನ್ನು ಅಲ್ಪಸಂಖ್ಯಾತರ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳಿಗೆ ನೀಡಲು ಮಾನ್ಯತೆ ಪಡೆದ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳಿಂದ ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಅನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಿ ದಿನಾಂಕ: **14.09.2020**ಕ್ಕೆ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ ನಿಗದಿಪಡಿಸಲಾಗಿತ್ತು. ಸದರಿ ದಿನಾಂಕವನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ: **01.10.2020**ರ **ವರೆಗೆ** ವಿಸ್ತರಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಅಲ್ಪಸಂಖ್ಯಾತರ ನಿರ್ದೇಶನಾಲಯದ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ **https://gokdom.kar.nic.in** ಹಾಗೂ ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ.

ಸಹಿ/-
ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು,
ಅಲ್ಪಸಂಖ್ಯಾತರ ನಿರ್ದೇಶನಾಲಯ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು.

Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike

Office of the Executive Engineer (Project-East), Nethaji Subhash Chandra Bose Building (PUB), 21st Floor, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Bengaluru-560 001.

No.: EE(P-E)/TEND/6/2020-21 Date: 15-09-2020

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (IFT), (One and Two Cover System)

(Through GOK e-Procurement Portal Only)

The Executive Engineer, Project-East, BBMP invites tenders on behalf of the Commissioner, BBMP, Bengaluru from eligible Tenderers for the construction of works detailed in the table below.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work	Approx. Amount put to tender (Rs. in Lakhs)	EMD (in Rs.)
1.	Drilling and Commissioning of Borewells and providing Pipeline for water supply in Ward No.112, Domlur. **(S.C.)**	15.00	18,750/-
2.	Improvements to Public toilets in Ward No.112, Domlur. **(Others).**	10.00	25,000/-
3.	Improvements to Krishnadevaraya and Hanuman Park in Ward No.112, Domlur. **(Others).**	40.00	80,000/-
4.	Improvements to Road and Footpath Near Shanthisagar Hotel in Ward No.112, Domlur. **(S.C.).**	25.00	25,000/-
5.	Construction of Library building and Samudaya Bhavan in Ward No.19, Sanjay Nagara. **(Others).**	100.00	2,00,000/-
6.	Improvements to Buleward Park-3 in Ward No.18, Radhakrishna Temple Ward. **(Others).**	100.00	2,00,000/-
7.	Providing Grills work at RBI Colony Park and Children's Play equipments and other works to HGH Layout Park in Ward No.20, Ganganagara. **(Others).**	60.00	1,20,000/-
8.	Providing Grill, Gym equipments and other works at Weavers Colony in Ward No.20, Ganganagara. **(Others).**	60.00	1,20,000/-
9.	Providing Grills work at RBI Colony Park and Children's Play equipments and other works to HGH Layout Park in Ward No.20, Ganganagara. **(Others).**	60.00	1,20,000/-

Calendar of Events: (1). Tender documents may be downloaded from the e-procurement portal of the Govt. of Karnataka from **19-09-2020. (2).** Tenders must be submitted online through e-procurement portal on: **28-09-2020 before 4:00 p.m. (3).** Technical Bids will be opened on **30-09-2020 at 4:30 p.m.** Further particulars can be obtained from the above office during working hours on working days or from **website: https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.**

Sd/-, Executive Engineer, (East-Project), BBMP.

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BAGALKOT TOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, BAGALKOT

No:CE/BTDA/Tender-07/2020-21/2145 Dated:15-09-2020

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through e-Procurement only)

Tenders are invited by the under signed for various works from registered eligible contractors for various works ranging from Rs. 122.05 Lakhs to 261.63 Lakhs. The intending bidders for work details may login to e-procurement website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in for detailed notification and submission of the tender. The tenders can be submitted till 12.10.2020 up to 5.00 PM. The pre-bid meeting is held on 05.10.2020 at 11.00 am . The technical bids will be opened on 14.10.2020 at 11.00 am (if possible) Financial bids will be opened on 16.10.2020 at 11.00 AM (if possible). Any other details can be obtained from this office in person or over telephone number 08534-233353.

DIPR/BGK/RO-NO-231/MCA/2020-21

Sd/- Chief Engineer, B.T.D.A., Bagalkot.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

(CONSTRUCTION ORGANISATION)

E-TENDER NOTICE

07-DCE-CN-III-MDU-2020 dated 09.09.2020 Name of work: Proposed new BG line between Madurai and Tuticorin Via Aruppukottai: Milavittan-Melamarudhur Section: Supply of welding portion of 60Kg and 52 Kg for the section between MILAVITTAN and MELAMARUDHUR Stations. Approximate cost of the work **₹42,89,200/-** Cost of Tender Form **NIL.** Earnest Money to be deposited **₹85,800/-**

08-DCE-CN-III-MDU-2020 dated 09.09.2020 Name of work: Proposed new BG line between Madurai and Tuticorin Via Aruppukottai: Milavittan-Melamarudhur Section: Assembling and linking of BG track, insertion of points and crossings, collection and dumping of ballast, welding of rail joints and allied works between Chainage 0 and Chainage 10000 and Miscellaneous works in between Chainage 10000 and Chainage 18700 Approximate cost of the work **₹2,84,93,621/-** Cost of Tender Form **NIL.** Earnest Money to be deposited **₹2,92,500/-**

Completion period of work: **Three Months**

Closing Date and Time of tender through IREPS Web Portal **11.00 Hours of 05.10.2020**

Date and Time of tender opening through IREPS Web Portal at **11.30 Hours on 05.10.2020**

Note: The Detailed terms and conditions and other details have already been uploaded in the website **(www.ireps.gov.in)**. The Tender is subject to GST rules applicable from time to time.

Deputy Chief Engineer, Construction-III, Madurai-625 016
For and on behalf of the President of India

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Government of Karnataka

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER

RURAL WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION, DIVISION, KALABURAGI-585105

Ph.: 08472-278634/256944, E-mail: eerwssglb14@gmail.com

No : EE/RWS&SD/2020-21/844 Dated : 15-09-2020

E-PROCUREMENT SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (DATE EXTENSION)

The tender called by Executive Engineer Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation, Division, Kalaburagi vide tender notification no 733 Dated 31-08-2020 the date has extended and the last date of bid submission is 25-09-2020 at 4.00pm and opening of technical bid date is 28-09-2020 after 4.00pm and opening of financial date is 30-09-2020 and the rest of conditions remains same as in the main tender notification.

DIP/Kalaburagi/391/MC&A/2020-21

Sd/- Executive Engineer RDW&S Division, Kalaburagi

CORRIGENDUM-I

(Through E-Procurement Portal only)

Name of the work: The tender for Pre-qualification with Joint venture for the work of "Bulk water supply Scheme to Mysore City, MUDA Area & Villages in and around Local Planning area from Cauvery River as source near Haleundavadi (Phase-I)".

Tender Reference: Tender reference No/ e-procurement portal tender No. KWB/ CE(M)/ TEC/ DCE-1/ TA-2/ AE-5/ HALEUNDAVADI/ WSS/ TENDER/ 679 /2020-21 Dated: 21.07.2020.

Sl. No.	Details	Description
1	Date & Time of Opening of PQ application	16.10.2020 after 11.00 hours

The other terms and conditions in the Tender notification remain unaltered.

Contact Authority:
Chief Engineer,
Mysuru zonal office.

ಬಾಶಾಸಂಧ್ರ/ಮೈಸೂರು/ಎಸ್ ಎಸ್ಸಿ/311ಎ/2020-21

Sd/-
Chief Engineer
K.U.W.S. & D Board, Mysuru.

KARNATAKA URBAN WATER SUPPLY & DRAINAGE BOARD

 # 927, 1st Floor, 6th Main Road, New Kantharaj Urs Road, Saraswathipuram, Mysuru – 570 009. Ph No : 0821- 2545894, Fax: 0821- 2545894, Email : kwbcemys2014@gmail.com, Website : https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

BENGALURU METROPOLITAN TRANSPORT CORPORATION

Traffic Commercial Department, Central Office, 2nd Floor, K.H. Road, Shanthinagar, Bengaluru - 560027

No.: BMTC/CO/TR/COM/1717/2020-21 Dated: 15.09.2020

TENDER / NEGOTIATION NOTIFICATION No.: 11/2020-21

(e-procurement Platform)

Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation invites offers / bids from the interested persons on monthly license fee basis for running General Stalls / Refreshment Room / Parking lot / Commercial / Office Spaces at various Bus Stations. And invites bids from Banks for grant of license for Installation / erection of ATM Counters and invites bids for allotment of 2 BHK flats at Ebony St. Johns Woods Apartment at Koramangala (Tavarekere Road) for residential purpose.

(1) Last date & time for submission of bids is on: **14.10.2020** upto **12:00 hrs. (2)** Opening of Technical / Financial bids is on: **16.10.2020** at **12:30 hrs. (3)** Opening of Financial bids is on: **23.10.2020** at **12:30 hrs.**

Details for Rent, EMD & Area etc log on to: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** & Contact No.: 080-23010900, 23010901, 22371090, 22340060, 22340948 or 7760991026 & 7760997519.

E-mail: **ctmc@mybmtc.com.**

DIPR/DDU/LCC/1133/2020-21

Sd/- Chief Traffic Manager (Com) (Tender Inviting Authority)

CLASSIFIEDS

PUBLIC NOTICE

CHANGE OF NAME

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I, PADMINI SHANKAR HANDE D/o Padubidri N. Srinivasa Rao, aged about 52 years, R/at No. 90, "Shanthanivas", 3rd Cross, Srirampuram, Bangalore-560021, have changed my name to **PADMINI S.** vide affidavit dated 16.09.2020, before Advocate & Notary **NARAYANA SWAMY R.**, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SERVICE NO. JC 310062M SUB/ MAJ S. DHARMALINGAM, UNIT: CICE, DEPOT BN, MEG & CENTRE, BENGALURU - 560 042, have changed daughter's name from **S.D REKHA** to **D. REKHA** and from **D. NANDINI** to **D. NANDHINI** vide affidavit dated 15.09.2020 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **M. RAJU,** S/o. Late Muniyallappa, aged about 50 years, R/at Jigani Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru Dist, have declare that **M. RAJU** and **M. RAJGOPAL** are both the names belongs to me only and one and the same person. Vide affidavit dated 16-06-2020 sworn before notary, Muniswamy .T, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **ARUMUGAM. E.,** aged about 37 years, S/o Erusan, resident of #1322/A, 3rd Main, 4th Cross, Srirampuram, Bangalore-560021, have shifted my residence from Tamilnadu where I was known by the said name to Bengaluru, Karnataka, have changed my name from **ANAND** to **ARUMUGAM. E.,** hereafter be called, known distinguished not by assumed name/suname, but original name/surname **ARUMUGAM. E.,** vide affidavit dated 15.09.2020, before Advocate & Notary, **K.N. CHANDRASHEKARA REDDY,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) DEEPAK BABU RAO PHOOTANE Residing at No. 27, 1st B Main, Kanakanagar, RT Nagar, Bangalore - 560 032 have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) DEEPAK BABU RAO PHOOTANE** to **(NEW NAME) DEEPAK BABU RAO FUTANE** vide affidavit dated 15.09.2020 sworn before Notary A.C Subbu Swamy, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, DEEPA SPOUSE OF NO. 15328104H L/NK DILEEP B.H Residing at Vill: Banajawad, Post: Katharal, Post: Kagwad, Tq: Athani, Dist: Belagavi, State: Karnataka, Pin: 591303, have changed my name from **DEEPA** to **DEEPA DILEEP HULLENNAVAR** vide affidavit dated 14.09.2020 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **D. LAVANYA,** aged about 32 years, W/o K. Anbu, residing at No.98, Gunddalanoor Village, Bandaseemanoor Post, Bargur Taluk, Krishnagiri Dist-635104, camp at Bangalore, India, have changed my daughter's name from **DIVYA DHARSHINI** to **RITHVIKA A,** hereafter she will be know and called as **RITHVIKA A** only for all practical purposes, vide affidavit dated 16.09.2020, before Advocate & Notary **NEHA BADDI,** Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **BONDADE GURUNATH,** S/o Ramesh. B., residing at #40, 9th Cross, Fairchoice Shop, Vignan Nagar, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560075, Karnataka, Declare that Correct name of my Daughter is **VAISHNAVI BONDADE** as per Aadhar Card, in Birth Certificate it is wrongly mentioned as **VAISHNAVI,** vide affidavit dated 14.09.2020, before Advocate & Notary, **SREEDHARAN NAIR. P.N.,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, REKHA K SPOUSE OF 15329411M L/NK S. KARTHIK Resident at No. 4/83, Devasamuthram, Krishnagiri, Tamil Nadu 635001, have changed my name from **REKHA. K** to **REKHA.M** vide affidavit dated 07.09.2020 sworn before Notary Gangaraju. B.N., Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **PUNEET KHURANA,** S/o. Late Manohar Lal Khurana, aged about 34 years, residing at B-411, 4th Floor, Sanathana Chamanthi, Near Biriyani Zone, Kadugodi, Bangalore - 560 067, hereby declare that my daughter's correct name is **CEYONE MALIK KHURANA,** but wrongly mentioned her name in the birth certificate **CEYONE KHURANA.** Vide affidavit dated 16-9-2020 sworn before Advocate & Notary R. Jyshree, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **C.H. NARENDER REDDY** S/o C.H. VENKAT REDDY, residing at Pent House Parimala Archide Apartment, B-Block, 2nd Cross, A.E.C.S Layout Brookefield, Kundalahalli, Bangalore-560037, declare that my name **C.H. NARENDRA REDDY** wrongly mentioned in my Daughter **(C H RAVALI)** Council for the Indian School Certificate Examination New Delhi Indian Certificate of Secondary Education (Class-X) Year 2020 and my Correct name is **C.H. NARENDER REDDY** mentioned in my all other documents, vide affidavit dated 16th Sept. 2020, sworn before Advocate and Notary **C. MUNISWAMY** at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **MEHABOB BEE,** aged about 62 years, W/o Late Sayadamirjan, residing at No.167, Ramaiah Garden, Kadugodi Plantation, Kadugodi, Bangalore-560067, Karnataka, declare that my name as **MEHABOB** wrongly mentioned my Passport records, as to my original name is **MEHABOB BEE,** vide affidavit dated 16.09.2020, before Advocate & Notary **C. SASIKALA,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **NARENDRA KANTILAL PATEL,** S/o Kantilal, Aged about 49 years, R/at # Flat No.2101, Salarpuria Luxuria Apartment, Daffodil Tower, 8th Main, Opp. Yeshwanthpura Bus Stand, Malleshwaram, Bangalore 560 003, have changed my name from **NARENDRA KANTILAL CHANGELA** to **"NARENDRA KANTILAL PATEL".** vide affidavit dated 02.08.2018 sworn to before Notary **P. K. Nalinakshi,** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **MOHAMMED IRFAN,** resident of House of Hiranandani Cottage, # 734, Ward 1, Cottages, Prasannahalli Village, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru - 562 110, Karnataka, have changed my name from **MAHAMMED IRFAN M S** to **MOHAMMED IRFAN.** Vide affidavit dated 16-9-2020 sworn before Advocate & Notary B.M. Chandrashekar, Bangalore.

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SALE NOTICE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to rule 8(6) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is here by given to public in general and in particular to Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the secured Creditor, the **Constructive Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Karnataka Bank Ltd, the Secured Creditor on **21.03.2016**, will be sold on "As is Where is", "As is What is" and "Whatever there is" on **06.10.2020,** for total recovery of **₹1,06,65,022.00 [Rupees One Crore Six lakhs Sixty Five Thousand twenty two only]** under **TL A/c No.9197001600003501,** along with future interest from **01.01.2018,** plus costs due to the **Karnataka Bank Ltd Bengaluru Kasavanahalli Branch,** the Secured creditor from **(1) Mr. Yogesh C S/o Late Channappa,** No. 138/c, 1-H Cross, III Stage, IV Block, Sharda Colony, Basaveshwaranagar, Bangalore-560079, **2) Mrs. Rekha G P W/o Mr. Lokesh Kumar,** No. 88, Ground Floor, 4th Main, 4th Block, III Stage, Opposite: Monkey Park Gate, Basaveshwaranagar, Bengaluru-560079, **(3) Mrs. Archana C. N, W/o Mr. Yogesh C,** No.138/c, 1- H Cross, III Stage, IV Block, Sharda Colony, Basaveshwaranagar,Bangalore-560079, being the borrowers/guarantors/ mortgagors.

Reserve Price/Upset Price below which the property may not be sold: ₹ 68,80,000/- (Rupees Sixty Eight Lakhs Eighty Thousand Only)

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Description of Property	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit	Date & Time of Auction
All that piece and parcel of Vacant Site measuring 3000 Sq.ft, bearing No.6, portion of Assessment No.2/4 of Sajjepallya Village, Srigandhadakavalu Dakle, Yeshwantpur Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, presently within the limits of BBMP, Kottigepalya Ward No.72, Bengaluru. **Boundaries of the land (As per Deed/Actual): East by:** other's property/Sheet roof Building, **West by:** Road/ Road, **North by:** Drainage /storm Water Drain , **South by:** Remaining Portion of same /pole star modular	₹68,80,000.00 (Rupees Sixty Eight Lakhs Eighty Thousand Only)	₹6,88,000.00 (Rupees Six lakhs Eighty Eight Thousand Only)	06.10.2020 from 12.00 P.M to 12.20 P.M

(The borrower's/mortgagor's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset).

This Notice shall also serve as Notice under Sub Rule (6) of Rule (8) of Security Interest Enforcement Rules-2002 to the Borrower/Guarantors)

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to link in Karnataka Bank's Website ie.,www.karnatakabank.com under the head "Mortgaged Assets for Sale".

The E-auction will be conducted through portal https://bankauctions.in/ on **06.10.2020** from **12.00 P.M to 12.20 P.M** with unlimited extension of 05 minutes. The intending bidder is required to register their name at https://bankauctions.in/ and get the user Id and password free of cost and get training i.e online training on E-auction (tentatively on 05.10.2020) from M/s 4 Closure, Mr.Sreekanth B. (Asst.Manager), No.22, 5th Cross, Gurumahal Extension, Opp: Indian Hotel, K.G.Halli, Jalahalli (West), Bengaluru-560010 Mobile No: 9515160061, E-mail: sreekanth@bankauctions.in

Date: 15.09.2020 For Karnataka Bank Ltd.
Place: Bengaluru Chief Manager & Authorised Officer

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SALE NOTICE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with provision to rule 8(6) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002.

Notice is here by given to public in general and in particular to Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the secured Creditor, the **Physical Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Karnataka Bank Ltd, the Secured Creditor on **04.10.2019,** will be sold on "As is Where is", "As is What is" and "Whatever there is" on **06.10.2020** for recovery of **₹ 1,08,60,610.70 (Rupees One Crore Eight Lakhs Sixty Thousand Six Hundred Ten and Paisa Seventy Only) Under TL A/c No.1257001600007701** along with future interest from **04.09.2020,** plus costs due to the **Karnataka Bank Ltd, Bengaluru CMM Court Branch,** the Secured creditor from **(1) Mr. Krishna Reddy M, S/o Mr. Muniyappa (2) Mrs. Kamalla K Reddy, W/o Mr. Krishna Reddy M, No.1 & 2 at:** No. 102, Shivanapura, Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk - 562123, **No.1 & 2 also at:** No.33/1, 1st Floor, 8th Cross, Near Hotel Geo, Opp. South Indian Bank, S.R Nagar, Bengaluru Urban - 560027, **(3) Mr. Anil Kumar, S/o Mr.Mutha Naik,** No.51, CK Thandya, Bengaluru South, Bengaluru - 560060, being the borrowers/ guarantors/ mortgagors.

Reserve Price/Upset Price below which the property may not be sold: ₹ 57,57,000/- (Rupees Fifty Seven Lakhs Fifty Seven Thousand Only)

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Description of Property	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit	Date & Time of Auction
All that part and parcel of Residential Property measuring 1200 Sq.ft, bearing Site No.102, Khata No.1605/127/102, (being the site carved out of the land in Sy.No.114 of Shivanapura Village), with the building constructed thereon, situated at Shivanapura Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk Belonging to Mr.Krishna Reddy. **Boundaries of the land: East by:** Site No.103, **West by:** Site No.101, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Site No.85.	₹ 57,57,000.00 (Rupees Fifty Seven Lakhs Fifty Seven Thousand Only)	₹5,75,700.00 (Rupees Five Lakhs Seventy Five Thousand Seven Hundred Only)	06.10.2020 from 10.30 A.M to 10.50 A.M

(The borrower's/mortgagor's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset).

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Pirlo earns UEFA coaching qualification

Juventus coach Andrea Pirlo had his coaching qualification approved by the Italian soccer federation on Wednesday. Pirlo completed his final exams and earned his UEFA Pro coaching badge on Monday. The qualification, following a year-long course, is required for a coach to lead a team in Serie A or B.

Decision on Eng-Aus players' quarantine today

BCCI requests local health authorities for relaxing norms

VENKATA KRISHNA B @ Chennai

SEVEN of the eight Indian Premier League (IPL) franchises are still waiting to hear from the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) if players arriving from England on Thursday will be available for the first round of fixtures. The BCCI has already made a request to the local health authorities if it can relax quarantine norms since they are arriving via a charter flight from another bio-secure bubble. As per local regulations, at least six days of quarantine is mandatory to anyone arriving in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and the BCCI is understood to have made a request to reduce the number of days to three.

The seven franchises — Mumbai Indians don't have a single player from England or Australia — are paying roughly ₹1 crore to fly 21 players in the chartered flight. The BCCI, in collaboration with the England and Wales Cricket Board, has made a special corridor which will see the players leave the hotel and reach Manchester airport without any outside contact.

Even at the airport, the immigration process has been made simple, meaning they won't come in touch with any authorities as papers have been submitted in advance. The players will fly in a fully sanitised plane, with flight crew also cleared to fly after multiple Covid-19 tests.

"From our end, everything is ready. We are waiting for approval from BCCI. A special bio-secure corridor has been created for their safe travel. They won't come in contact with anyone outside the bio-secure environment. We are waiting for clarity on quarantine period," Chennai Super Kings CEO Kasi Viswanathan said.

Once they land in Dubai after a seven-hour journey, the franchises will send their respective team buses to the tarmac to pick them and head straight to the hotel, where they will undergo one RT-PCR test. Once the tests come back negative, they will be cleared to enter the bio-secure bubble and resume training straight away, if the six-day quarantine is relaxed. As mentioned in the standard operating procedures (SOP), the franchises have already informed the BCCI about the extensive plan put in place, but they are yet to get clearance.

In the SOP, the BCCI has stated that if the teams ensure a safe passage for players arriving from Caribbean Premier League and England, they may be allowed to participate in the IPL without the mandatory quarantine period. However, with the local authorities not approving this, the BCCI has made a request to them to at least reduce the quarantine period to three days. The franchises are expecting a confirmation on Thursday, but as things stand, they are preparing for the eventual possibility of not featuring any of the arriving players in the opening days.

If six-day quarantine is not relaxed, none of them will be able to take part in the first round of matches. But if it is reduced to three days, Royal Challengers Bangalore, Sunrisers Hyderabad, Rajasthan Royals, Kolkata Knight Riders will have their first XI available. Rajasthan would benefit immensely as three of their first XI — Steve Smith, Jofra Archer, Jos Buttler — will be available. Bangalore can use Moeen Ali and Aaron Finch. Hyderabad can have David Warner and Jonny Bairstow. Kolkata too will be boosted by inclusion of Eoin Morgan and Pat Cummins.

IPL 13: TWO DAYS TO GO

Royal Challengers Bangalore

PAST

Have played three finals and lost all to go with two play-off finishes. Was at the bottom of the table twice and sixth once in the last three seasons.

PRESENT

Have overhauled their coaching staff which now has a team director in Mike Hesson and head coach in Simon Katich.

TEAM TALK

Play bold has been their mantra. But at times, they have appeared to compromise on basics to play so. For years they have had a good top-order and the story is no different this time with Aaron Finch, Virat Kohli, AB de Villiers in the mix. In the middle-order, they have Moeen Ali, but their worry is the lack of reputed Indians in the batting line-up. While they have the promising Devdutt Padikkal of Karnataka, the likes of Gurkeerat Singh Mann, Shivam Dube haven't been convincing. Parthiv Patel is also in the mix and should, at the most, be the back-up. But the presence of Chris Morris should give them much needed balance. A good death bowler, Morris is also a big-hitter and could be their fourth overseas player in the XI. In such a scenario Isuru Udana — another useful resource on UAE wickets with his pace variations — will have to sit out.

STAR WATCH

Much of their hopes rely on Virat Kohli. This should be a challenging task for him as his captaincy for RCB has come under severe criticism in the past. Another failure will make it interesting.

WHAT TO EXPECT?

Entertainment. Whether they click or not, they have been an entertaining outfit to watch.

2008: 7th, **2009:** Runners-up, **2010:** Play-offs, **2011:** Runners-up, **2012:** 5th, **2013:** 5th, **2014:** 7th, **2015:** Play-offs, **2016:** Runners-up, **2017:** 8th, **2018:** 6th, **2019:** 8th

DJOKOVIC, HALEP WIN

ROME: Novak Djokovic got off to a winning start at the Italian Open on Wednesday, advancing to the third round of the clay-court tournament in his first match since his US Open disqualification. The World No 1 eased past Italian wild card entry Salvatore Caruso 6-3, 6-2. In the women's singles, top seed Simona Halep reached third round with a 6-3, 6-4 win over Jasmine Paolini of Italy.

Novak Djokovic plays a backhand to Italy's Salvatore Caruso in the Italian Open in Rome, on Wednesday | AFP

EXPRESS READ

Harikrishna in joint lead after 3 rounds

CHENNAI: Indian Grandmaster P Harikrishna claimed a share of the top position with Armenian GM Levon Aronian after posting two wins and a draw in three rounds of rapid competition in the St Louis Rapid and Blitz online chess tournament.

Odisha sign former PL defender Taylor

BHUBANESWAR: Odisha FC on Wednesday signed former Premier League defender Steven Taylor ahead of the seventh edition of the ISL. The centre-back has agreed for a one-year deal with an option to extend it for a second year.

4 Indians in French Open qualifiers

CHENNAI: Three of the leading Indian men's players will be in action in French Open qualifiers. Sumit Nagal, fresh from his first main draw win at US Open, Prajnesh Gunneswaran, who played in two qualifying rounds of an ATP 250 event in Austria, will aim to make the cut. Ramkumar Ramanathan has also registered. Ankita Raina will also be in action. ENS

Vital for meets to restart: Gopi

MARTIN JOSEPH @ Kochi

NATIONAL badminton chief coach Pullela Gopichand believes that the Denmark Open, which is set to be held next month, will not suffer the same fate as the Thomas and Uber Cup which was postponed after a string of pull outs.

He also felt that it was vital for competitions to re-start soon. "It's important now (for events to re-start). It's been six months. The first two months... maybe it was rest and recovery, next two-three months were about starting the practice but now, I think it's time to start looking at preparing for the future," said Gopichand during a webinar on Wednesday, organised by IDBI Federal Life Insurance, Athletics Federation of India (AFI) and FIT India.

According to him, players are still in some degree of uncertainty. "I believe players are not trusting the fact that the badminton calendar is going to start very soon. So there is a bit of a lag from the players' side... But in all probability, the Danish Open will happen and once it starts, players will start saying that we better move quicker and get going because the circuit is on," he said.

With sporting activities resuming across the world inside bio-secure bubbles, Gopichand feels that India should not be left behind. "Sports across the world has started and it would mean that we need to start as well. If you are able to divide the players in the country as per their levels, and start competing, it's a faster way of creating those bubbles and ensuring that people don't have to travel too much and they are still able to compete," he said.

Athletics events from Jan?

Meanwhile, AFI president Adille Sumariwalla has said that they hope to start athletic events in India from January 2021. "About 10 days ago, we took a conscious decision to push competitions to January onwards," said Sumariwalla, who was also a speaker during the webinar.

He also said that the AFI have had discussions with the government about giving their Olympic-bound athletes the priority when it comes to the Covid-19 vaccine.

Chance for shooter Anish to cement berth at Tokyo Oly

ANMOL GURUNG @ Chennai

YOUNG gun Anish Bhanwala could possibly qualify for the Tokyo Olympics through world ranking process after the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) said on Wednesday that the 2021 Delhi World Cup will be decisive for Olympic qualification.

"The 2021 ISSF World Cup rifle/pistol/shotgun in New Delhi will be decisive for Tokyo 2020 Qualification regarding the World Ranking. This decision of the Executive Committee is compliant with the general approach to maintain the original Qualification System approved in 2017 as much as possible," ISSF wrote on its website.

According to the ISSF Qualification System, the world ranking points earned during the aforementioned World Cup will be added to the ranking list of March 31, 2020. The highest-ranked shooter, who has not qualified so far, will be allotted the quota.

This opens the door for Anish, who's currently ranked World No 12. All the other shooters (25m rapid fire pistol) above him have either qualified already or are not eligible. World No 1 and 2016 Olympic gold medallist Christian Reitz has already secured a berth. And there are five shooters from China above Anish, with the country already having secured a maximum of two quotas.

So if the Delhi World Cup, which is scheduled to be held from March 19-28 next year, goes ahead as planned, Anish will have strong chance to garner big ranking points and make his case.

India national pistol coach Jaspal Rana felt the 2018 Commonwealth Games gold winner meets the criterion, but called for caution before forecasting his qualification chances given the fact that there's so much uncertainty due to ongoing coronavirus pandemic. "You can't say for sure now. If you see the ranking and paperwork, he's there. You don't know what will happen until the start of the World Cup. Things are still unclear, and we have a long way to go. He has a chance, but we have to be objective for now."

Indian shooters have earned a record 15 quotas so far. Jaspal, the force behind some of the youngsters, believes that the likes of Anish should continue to train hard rather than focus on rankings. "He has already started training with the Olympics in mind. Irrespective of what the final outcome is, the players should not think about such things and solely focus on their training."

Global updates

Pandemic will cost $11 billion loss: FIFA

BELLINZONA (SWITZERLAND): FIFA on Wednesday put the cost of Covid-19 on football around the world at $11 billion in lost revenue. The pandemic has already led to over 150 football associations to seek financial help from the $1.5 billion emergency relief fund set up by football's governing body.

Diack sentenced to two years in prison

PARIS: Former track federation president Lamine Diack was sentenced to two years in prison for corruption during his tenure at the IAAF, including a scheme that allowed Russian athletes who paid millions in hush money to keep competing.

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No: SGITO/e-Tender/ME/12/2020-21 Date: 15.09.2020

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(e-Procurement)

Sanjay Gandhi Institute of Trauma & Orthopaedic, Byrasandra, Jayanagar East, Bangalore-11, invites tender from the eligible tenderers through e-Procurement portal of GOK for the following **Medical Equipments:**

(I) Bio Chemistry Auto Analyser (Buy Back) - 1 No.

(II) High Frequency Mobile X-Ray Unit - 1 No.

(1) The tenderers can download the documents from https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in for Sl.No. (1) to (2) **on or after 16.09.2020** and the last date for submission of completed tenders through e-portal is **19.10.2020 upto 4:00 p.m.**

(2) The Tender Accepting Authority reserves the right to accept / reject or cancel tender without assigning any reason thereof.

Sd/-
Chief Administrative Officer I/c
Tender Inviting Authority

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No: SSCL/Tech/181/YB/2020 Date:15.09.2020

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

The Managing Director, SSCL Shivamogga Invites Tenders Under Two Cover System as per the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 1999 and Rules 2000 through e-procurement. Registered Contractors in KPWD (Civil)/NH or in eligible authority and who have Qualifications as per tender document are eligible to apply.

Name of the work: "Construcrion of Yoga Bhavana and other amenities in Shivamogga city", **Amount put ro Tender in Lakhs:** 392.14, **EMD Amount in Lakhs:** 5.90, **Eligibility of contractor:** Class 1 Civil, **Period of completion:** 6 Months.

CALENDER OF EVENTS:

1. Blank Tender documents can be downloaded from: **18.09.2020 @ 4.00 P.M 2.** Last date for Tender Queries: **29.09.2020 @ 11.00 A.M 3.** Pre bid meeting: **01.10.2020 @ 4.00 P.M** at SSCL office. **4.** Last Date for uploading the filled Tender Document is: **17.10.2020 up to 4.00 P.M 5.** Date of Opening of Technical bid is on : **19.10.2020 @ 4.30 P.M 6.** Date of Opening of Financial bid is on: After approval of technical bid

For details, registration and e-payment visit GOK e-procurement website.**https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** or contact e-procurement Help desk at **080-25501216 / 080-25501227,** For more information contact in office hours.

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Shivamogga Smart City Limited, Shivamogga

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SOUTHERN RAILWAY
TRIVANDRUM (WORKS BRANCH)
E-Tender Notice
No.V/W/TVC/9/2020 DATED 15/09/2020

1. Kochuveli :- Augmentation of water supply arrangements. Approx. value ₹183.52 lakh, Earnest Money Deposit ₹2,41,800, Period of completion in 18 months.
2. Proposed Electronic Interlocking Buildings at OCR, KPY, STKT, PRND and IBS huts in between QLN-PRND and PRND-STKT. Approx. value ₹220.30 lakh, Earnest Money Deposit ₹2,60,200, Period of completion in 15 months.
3. TVC Division – Provision of office accommodation for SSE/JE/Signal & Tele in S&T branch at NNN, KCVL, KPY & SRTL. Approx. value ₹54.07 lakh, Earnest Money Deposit ₹1,08,200, Period of completion in 12 months.
4. Kochuveli–Trivandrum–Connections from WRP to high pressure jet coach washing plants storage tank. Approx. value ₹16.20 lakh, Earnest Money Deposit ₹32,400, Period of completion in 6 months.
5. Kochuveli : Repairs to the roof of sick line/IOH shed. Approx. value ₹60.81 lakh, Earnest Money Deposit ₹1,21,600, Period of completion in 6 months.
6. Widening of cutting and forming cess in Trivandrum – Nagercoil section. Approx. value ₹350.94 lakh, Earnest Money Deposit ₹3,25,500, Period of completion in 24 months.
7. TVC Division:- Proposed under water inspection of specified bridges and other structures. Approx. value ₹8.19 lakh, Earnest Money Deposit ₹16,400, Period of completion in 6 months.
8. DEN/North Jurisdiction:- Proposed GSM based flood level monitoring system in bridge No. 132 at km.64/375, Br.No. 296 at km.58/017, Br.No.161 at km.88/450 & Br.No.148 at km.92/647. Approx. value ₹23.20 lakh, Earnest Money Deposit ₹46,400, Period of completion in 3 months.
9. Quilon Sub Division:- Periodical cleaning of open well, cleaning of OHT, GLRs, sewer lines septic tank etc. Approx. value ₹61.82 lakh, Earnest Money Deposit ₹1,23,600, Period of completion in 12 months.
10. Proposed Telecom OFC Repeater Room at VAK, MQU, KZK, KCVL, PVU, KYJ & ALLP. Approx. value ₹65.12 lakh, Earnest Money Deposit ₹1,30,200, Period of completion in 12 months.
11. Kalamasseri:- NAD siding–Complete track renewal (s) of existing track with 52kg rails on SC sleepers for a length of 5.03km - Track Works. Approx. value ₹214.90 lakh, Earnest Money Deposit ₹2,57,500, Period of completion in 9 months.
12. Replacement of aged & obsolete interlocking with EI at Kumbalam, Thuravur, Cherthala, Maraikulam and Alappuzha (5 stations) in TVC Division. Approx. value ₹269.64 lakh, Earnest Money Deposit ₹2,84,800, Period of completion in 15 months.

Tender Closing date and time: Sl No: 1 to 6 : 07/10/2020 at 11.00 hrs
Sl No: 7 to 12 : 14/10/2020 at 11.00 hrs

Details of approximate value of tender, EMD & location are given on the e-portal, **www.ireps.gov.in.**

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INVITATIONS FOR BIDS (IFB)
E-Procurement Notice
NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING
(Two-Envelope Bidding Process with e-Procurement)
Bid No.: R.D.C.No.G1/2296/2015

1. The Government of India has received a Loan from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development in various currencies towards the cost of Tamil Nadu Sustainable Urban Development Project and it is intended that part of the proceeds of this loan will be applied to eligible payments under the contracts for which this Invitation for Bids is issued.
2. Superintendent Engineer (Planning), Greater Chennai Corporation, Chennai, now invites online bids under "Two bid" system namely "**Technical bid**" and "**Price bid**" are invited from the OEMs or authorized dealers for the items listed below including one year warranty and three years Operation & Maintenance.

Package No.	Name of work	Approximate value	Bid security / EMD	Cost of document	Period of completion
3	Tender for Procurement of DGPS Survey Instruments including one year warranty and Operation & Maintenance support for three years	Rs.394 Lakhs	Rs.3,94,000/-	Free	4 years

However, for complete eligibility, milestone and qualification requirements refer to Evaluation and Qualification Criteria in the bidding document.

3. Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedures agreed with World Bank. The bidding is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the Bank's Procurement Guidelines. In addition, please refer to paragraphs 1.6 and 1.7 of the Guidelines setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
4. Bidding document are available online from 21st September 2020 to 27th October 2020 for online bidding at www.tntenders.gov.in and used at free of cost. The bidders, who have downloaded the bid documents, shall be solely responsible for checking the web site for any addendum / amendment issued subsequently to the bid document and takes into consideration the same while preparing and submitting the bids.
5. For submission of the bids, the bidder is required to have Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) from one of the authorized Certifying Authorities, authorised by Government of India for issuing DSC. Aspiring bidders who have not obtained the user ID and password for participating in e-procurement in this Project, may obtain same from the website : www.tntenders.gov.in
6. Bids security of the amount specified in the bidding document, drawn in favour of the Commissioner, Greater Chennai Corporation must be submitted as per the procedure described in paragraph 7 below. The Bid security will have to be in any one of the forms as specified in the bidding document and shall have to be valid for 45 days beyond the validity of the bid. Bids must be submitted online on or before 27th October 2020 upto 3.00 p.m (website) for receipt of bids and the 'Technical Part' of bids will be opened online on 28th October 2020 at 03.15 p.m. The "Financial Part" shall remain unopened in the e-procurement system until the second public Bid opening for the financial part. Any bid or modifications to bid (including discount) received outside e-procurement system will not be considered. If the office happens to be closed on the date of opening of the bids as specified, the bids will be opened on the next working day at the same time. The electronic bidding system would not allow any late submission of bids.
7. The bidders are required to submit (a) original demand drafts towards the cost of bid document and registration on e-procurement website (if not previously registered); (b) original bid security in approved form; and (c) original affidavit regarding correctness of information furnished with bid document with Superintendent Engineer (Planning), IV Floor, C- Wing, Amma Maaligai, Greater Chennai Corporation, Ripon Building Campus, Periyar EVR Salai, Chennai – 600 003, Tamil Nadu before the opening of the technical part of the Bid given above, either by registered post/speed post/courier or by hand, failing which the bids will be declared non-responsive and will not be opened.
8. Other details can be seen in the bidding document. The Purchaser shall not be held liable for any delays due to system failure beyond its control. Even though the system will attempt to notify the bidders of any bid updates, the Purchaser shall not be liable for any information not received by the bidder. It is the bidders' responsibility to verify the website for the latest information related to this bid.

The provisions in the Instructions to Bidders and in the General Conditions of contract are based on the provisions of the World Bank Standard Bidding Document - Procurement of Goods.

(a)	Cost of Tender Document	: Free
(b)	Date of bid document available in online	: 21.09.2020
(c)	Last date for submission of bidding document in online	: up to 03.00 PM on 27.10.2020
(d)	1st Pre-Bid Meeting	: at 11:30 AM on 30.09.2020
(e)	2nd Pre-Bid Meeting	: at 11:30 AM on 12.10.2020 Venue: Planning Department, IV Floor, C- Wing , Amma Maaligai, Greater Chennai Corporation, Ripon Building Campus, EVR Periyar Salai, Chennai-600 003.
(f)	Last date and time for submission of bids in online	: up to 03.00 PM on 27.10.2020
(g)	Time and date of opening of bids	: at 03.15 PM on 28.10.2020
(h)	Place of opening of bids	Office of the Superintending Engineer (Planning)

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People who have experienced post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) are up to twice as likely to develop dementia later in life, warn researchers in the *British Journal of Psychiatry.*

EXFILE

WATER WOES IN THE U.S. WEST

There's a chance water levels in the two largest man-made reservoirs in the US could dip to critically low levels by 2025, jeopardising the steady flow of Colorado River water that more than 40 million people rely on in the American West. We take a look

DRY SUMMER

After a relatively dry summer, the US Bureau of Reclamation released models on Tuesday suggesting looming shortages in Lake Powell and Lake Mead

The two reservoirs where Colorado River water is stored are expected to see more shortage than previously projected

LOW LEVELS

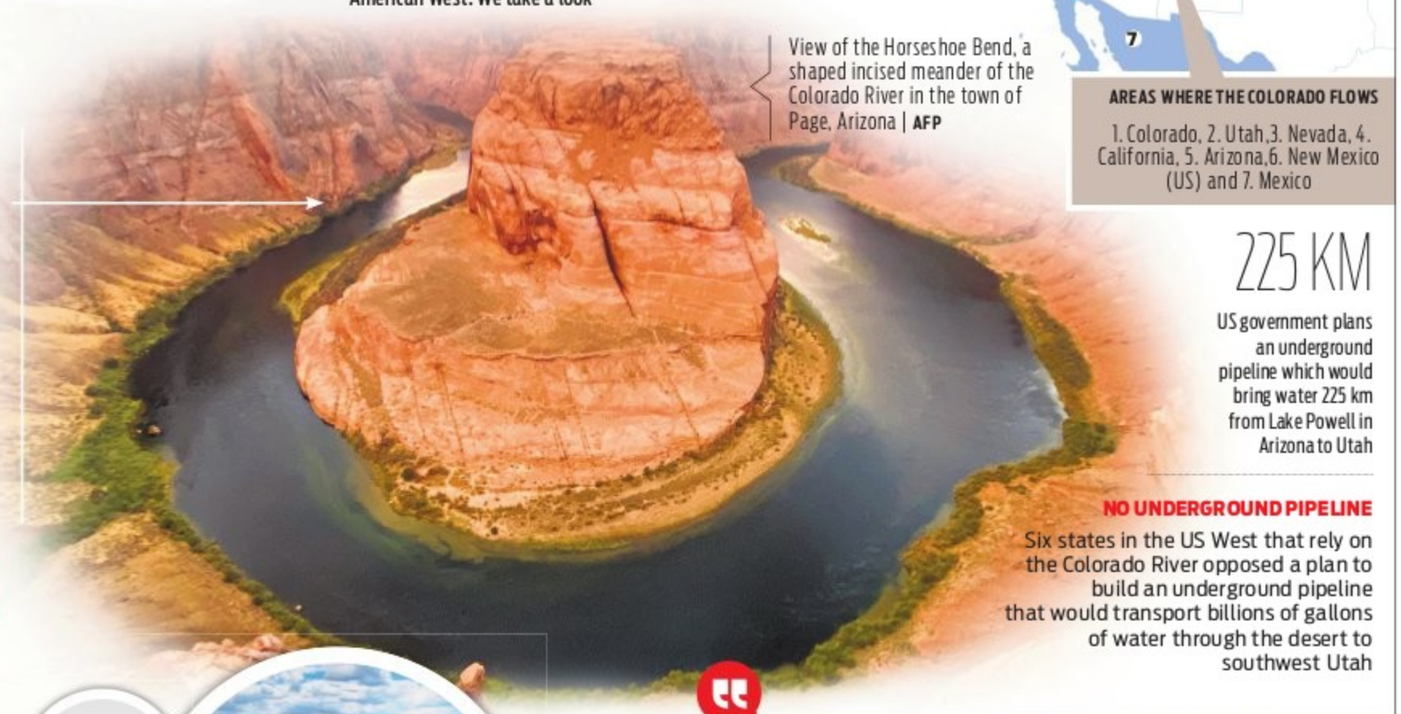
55%

of Colorado River water is flowing from the Rocky Mountains down, compared with an average year

Due to this below-average runoff, the reservoirs are 12% more likely to fall to critically low levels by 2025

This is a pretty significant increase over what was projected in April due to the declining runoff this year

Carly Jerla, US hydrologist



View of the Horseshoe Bend, a shaped incised meander of the Colorado River in the town of Page, Arizona | AFP

AREAS WHERE THE COLORADO FLOWS

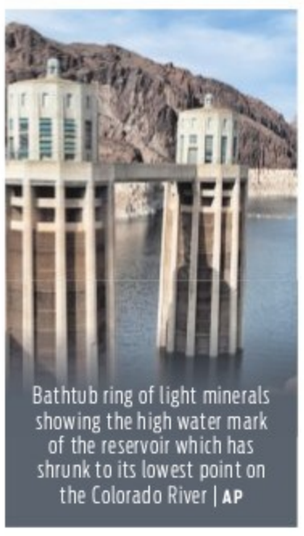
1. Colorado, 2. Utah, 3. Nevada, 4. California, 5. Arizona, 6. New Mexico (US) and 7. Mexico

225 KM

US government plans an underground pipeline which would bring water 225 km from Lake Powell in Arizona to Utah

NO UNDERGROUND PIPELINE

Six states in the US West that rely on the Colorado River opposed a plan to build an underground pipeline that would transport billions of gallons of water through the desert to southwest Utah



Bathtub ring of light minerals showing the high water mark of the reservoir which has shrunk to its lowest point on the Colorado River | AP

WATER SHARING PROBLEMS

The forecast could complicate already-fraught negotiations between Arizona, California, Colorado, New Mexico, Nevada, Utah, Wyoming and Mexico over future shares of the river that supplies their cities and farms

Those talks will draw up new agreements by 2026 over use of the river that's under siege from climate change and prolonged drought

We know that warmer temperatures have contributed to the drought of the last 21 years, and we know that they have exacerbated it

Brenda Burman, Bureau of Reclamation Commissioner

NEW STRESS TESTING MODELS

Unlike the 24-month projections that the agency uses to allocate water to the seven states and Mexico, the models released Tuesday simulate various weather and usage patterns to help water users prepare for different scenarios

Scientists use what's called the Colorado River Simulation System to project future levels of the two reservoirs. They employed "stress testing" techniques based on river flows since 1988 to determine potential shortages if drought conditions persist

WATER CUTS Arizona, Nevada and Mexico agreed to cuts for the first time under a drought contingency plan signed last year

1,083 FT

WATER LEVEL IN LAKE MEAD

When projections drop below 1,075 ft, Nevada and Arizona will face deeper cuts mandated by the plan

32%

chance that Lake Mead will fall below 1,075 ft by 2022 and a 77% chance by 2025, according to stress test models. The model's median estimates indicate Lake Mead will drop by 35 ft by 2026

3,598 FT

WATER LEVEL IN LAKE POWELL

The model's median estimates suggest it could drop by 50 ft by 2026

1st giant planet that orbits white dwarf star found

Exoplanet WD 1586 b is around ten times bigger than the shrunken extinguished star

TESS DISCOVERY

LONDON: Astronomers have discovered a planet the size of Jupiter closely orbiting the smouldering remains of a dead star, the first time that an intact exoplanet has been discovered travelling around a white dwarf, according to research published on Wednesday.

Researchers said the fate of this giant planet, called WD 1586 b, offers a potential vision of our own solar system when the Sun eventually ages into a white dwarf in around five billion years.

When it has burned through its stores of hydrogen, a star like the Sun enters its death-throes, first swelling enormously into an incandescent red giant that scorches and engulfs nearby planets.

Then it collapses, reducing it to its burnt-out core.

This is the white dwarf, an extremely dense stellar ember glowing faintly with leftover thermal energy and slowly fading over billions of years.

Previous research has suggested some white dwarfs can retain more distant remnants of their planetary systems.

But until now no intact planets had been detected in orbit around one of the dead stars.

"The discovery came as something of a surprise," said Andrew Vanderburg from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, who led the research published in *Nature*.

"A previous example of a similar system, where an object was seen to pass in front of a white dwarf, showed only a debris field from a disintegrating asteroid."

The planet is around ten times bigger than its shrunken parent star, known as WD 1856+534.

It was detected sweeping past the white dwarf every 1.4 days using NASA's Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite (TESS). Siyi Xu, an assistant astronomer at the US National Science Foundation's Gemini Observatory, said that because there was no discernible debris from the planet around the star, researchers concluded it was intact.

"We've had indirect evidence that planets exist around white dwarfs and it's amazing to finally find a planet like this," said Xu, in a statement from NSF's NOIRLab.

The discovery suggests that planets can end up in or near the white dwarf's habitable zone, and potentially be hospitable to life even after their star has died, the statement said.

What remains a mystery however is how the planet got so close to the white dwarf.

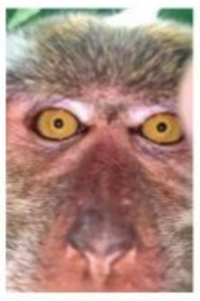
It is thought that the red giant phase makes it unlikely that nearby planets will survive — when the same process happens to our Sun, Venus and Mercury would be expected to be engulfed and possibly the Earth as well.

FACT OF THE MATTER

Monkey leaves selfies on phone

ANIMAL BURGLAR

A Malaysian student whose cellphone was stolen while he was sleeping has tracked down the culprit: a monkey who took photo and video selfies with the device before abandoning it. Zackrydz Rodzi, 20, said on Wednesday that his phone was missing from his bedroom when he woke up on Saturday. He found the phone's casing under his bed but there was no sign of robbery in his house in southern Johor state. When his father saw a monkey the next day, he launched a search in the jungle behind his house. Using his brother's phone to call the device, he found it covered in mud under a palm tree. But a bigger surprise came when he checked his phone and found a series of monkey selfies and videos recorded in the phone. Most of the images were blurry, but some showed the monkey's face.



T-rex skeleton on sale

BONES AUCTION

The skeleton of a 40-foot dinosaur nicknamed 'Stan', one of the most complete Tyrannosaurus rex specimens ever found, will be auctioned in New York next month and could set a record for a sale of its kind. Discovered in 1987 near Buffalo, South Dakota, the 188-bone skeleton took more than three years to excavate and reconstruct by paleontologists from the state's Black Hills Geological Research Institute, where it has been exhibited since. Stan, who researchers estimate died around 60 million years ago aged about 20, has since been used to make replicas for dozens of museums. The sale will be held in New York on October 6, with bids expected from $6 million to $8 million.

Loneliness tied to diabetes

STRONG LINK

Amid the Covid-19 pandemic, researchers have shown that the absence of quality connections with people and not the lack of contact predicts the onset of type 2 diabetes. The study, published in the journal *Diabetologia*, indicates that prolonged loneliness may influence the development of diabetes, suggesting the experience of lockdown could potentially compound people's vulnerability in this pandemic if the loneliness continues for some time. "The study shows a strong relationship between loneliness and the later onset of type 2 diabetes," said study lead author Ruth Hackett from the King's College London. The association was also independent of depression, living alone and social isolation.

PEDAL IN THE AIR

Cyclists hanging under the Grenoble Bastille cable cars during the 17th stage of the 107th edition of the Tour de France cycling race, 170 kilometres between Grenoble and Meribel on Wednesday | AP

SATELLITE IMAGERY

Smoke from US fires crosses the Atlantic and reaches Europe

INFERNO

PARIS: Smoke from the fires devastating swathes of the US West Coast has reached as far as Europe, the European Union's climate monitoring service said on Wednesday in its assessment of the "unprecedented" blazes.

Satellite data from the Copernicus Atmosphere Monitoring Service (CAMS) showed that the wildfires currently raging across California, Oregon and Washington State are "tens to hundreds of times more intense" than the recent average. Thanks to strong pressure systems, the smoke from the fires was trapped along the western part of North America for days, making for potentially dangerous air quality in major cities such as Portland, Oregon and Vancouver and San Francisco.

But the weather shifted on Monday, carrying the smoke east along the jet stream. The site *NY Metro Weather* said on Tuesday that it was visible in the skies above New York.

CAMS said that it had tracked the long-range transport of smoke particles from the fires as far as 8,000 kilometres to the east — reaching northern Europe.

It estimated that the blazes, which are significantly more likely to occur as the planet warms, have spewed out more than 30 million tonnes of carbon dioxide since mid-August. "The scale and magnitude of these fires are at a level much higher than any of the 18 years that our monitoring data covers" since 2003, said Mark Parrington, CMAS senior scientist and wildfire expert. "The fact that these fires are emitting so much pollution into the atmosphere that we can still see thick smoke over 8,000 kilometres away reflects just how devastating they have been in their magnitude and duration." The blazes have already burned nearly five million acres across the US West, torching an area roughly the size of the state of New Jersey. The disaster has brought the issue of global warming to the forefront of US political discourse a matter of weeks ahead of the presidential election

Image taken on Sept 10, 2020, from Copernicus-Sentinel-3 shows the smoke plume off the west coast of Oregon, Washington and California | AFP

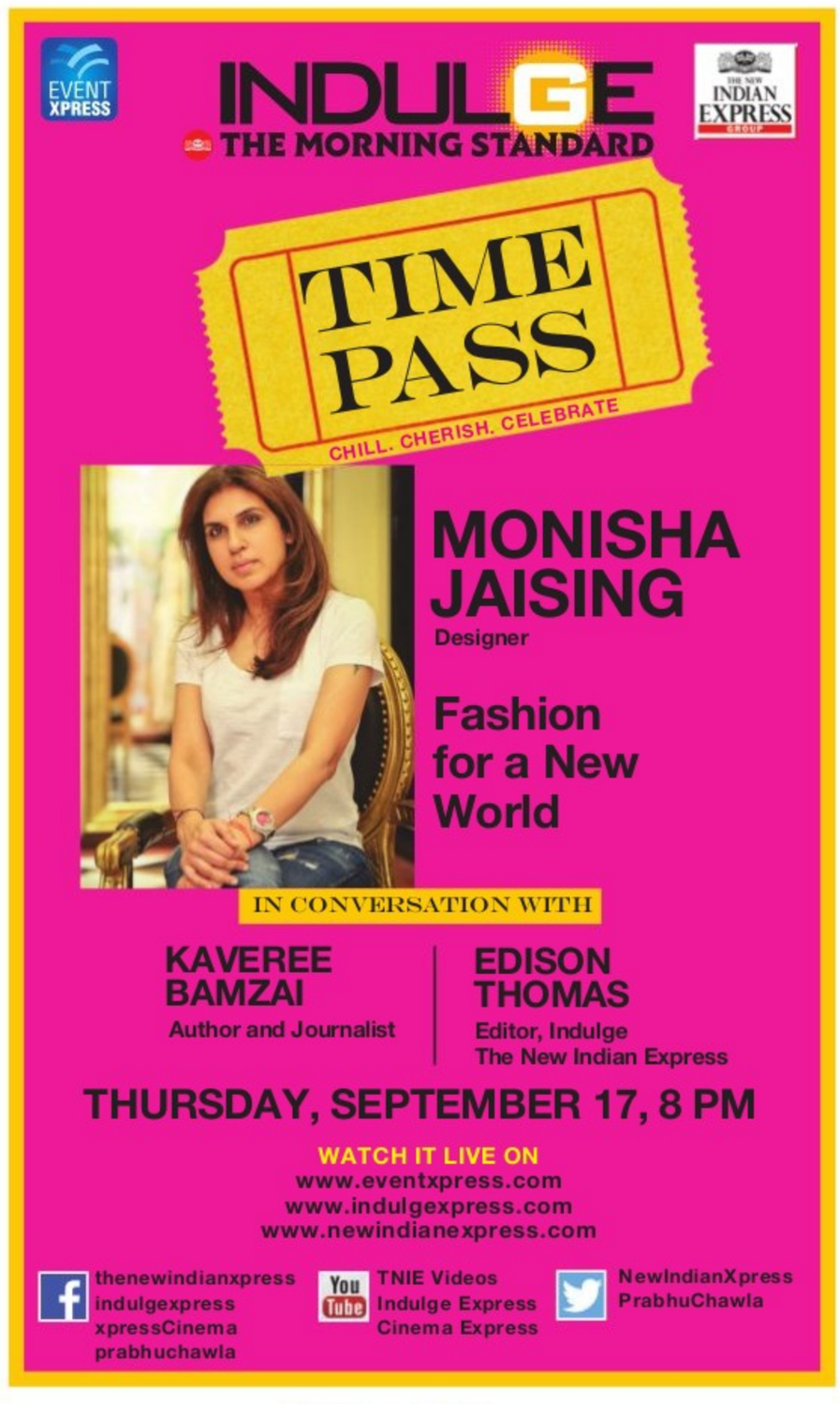
Noise pollution affects immunity of fish: Study

NO ESCAPE

LONDON: Fish stressed by noise are less able to fight off disease and prolonged exposure can lead to an early death, according to research on the consequences of man-made clamour on the natural world. Human noise pervades the environment, from the roar of engines to the clatter of industry. Being underwater is no escape, with the whir of ship propellers thought to interfere with whale sonar.

Researchers at Cardiff University said noise pollution has been shown to lead to "stress, hearing loss, behavioural changes and impacted immunity".

But they said the ways in which noise affects resistance to disease had remained "neglected".



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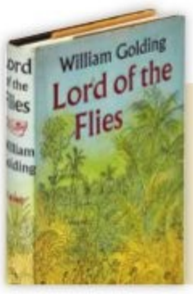

DAY'S DIARY

Once upon a time...

British novelist, playwright and poet, William Golding debuts with 'Lord of the Flies' on this day in 1954. This, after the book was rejected 21 times

PLOT AND THEME

Exploring the savage side of human nature, the book follows a group of boys stranded on a deserted island after a plane wreck. Interestingly, Lord of the Flies is another name for Satan

SUCCESS APLENTY

The book has sold millions of copies worldwide. It has been adapted into two films, a stage play and an innovative ballet performance

HITS AND MISSES

While the book was a flop when it was published, Golding was awarded a Nobel Prize, in part, for it. It is one of the most banned books in the USA

Every work has its own value: Upendra

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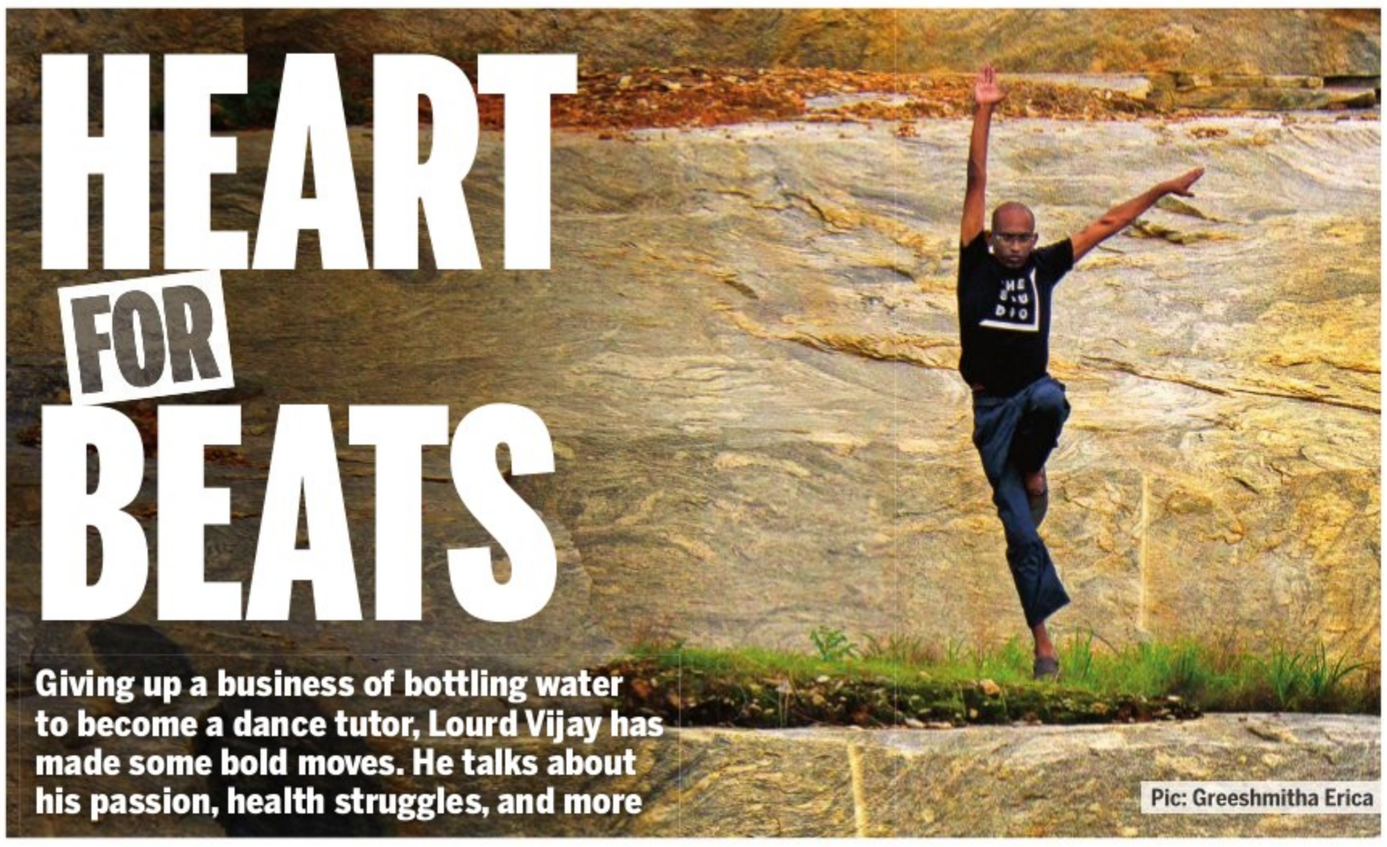
HEART FOR BEATS



Giving up a business of bottling water to become a dance tutor, Lourd Vijay has made some bold moves. He talks about his passion, health struggles, and more

Pic: Greeshmitha Erica

• **Vidya Iyengar**

The pandemic has thrown art forms out of gear but dancer **Lourd Vijay** prefers to look at the brighter side. "It's been a hard time, with many dancers finding themselves out of work. I can't complain because there have been opportunities that have come up. We've now got students from Bahrain, France, the UK, and from across India," says the 44-year-old who runs the dance studio, LVDS. The camaraderie he shares with his students extends beyond classes. With lessons going online in the last six months, interactions have been zilch. So this weekend, his students in the 60s age group will be heading to Srirangapatna to catch up. "I have always shared a special bond with my students. When we have travelled to other countries, many of them have come just to cheer," he says.

A moonlighting dancer until 2006, when he decided to take it up full time, Lourd recalls juggling his business of bottling water and dancing. "My career took a turn with dance," says Lourd, who has travelled to over 40 countries with his art form. "The business was getting sticky and we found ourselves getting wedged in the market," reveals the management graduate. At the same time, he opened a dance studio on Palace Road and found himself spending more and more time there even for business dealings. "By then the dance business had grown and I decided to make a clean switch. I think I was at the right place and right time," he says, admitting that it was hard from a family and cultural perspective. "I didn't choose dance, it chose me," he adds.

His venture began expanding, with foreign tours, and his students competing at international levels, until November 2013, when he found his feet swelling. Dismissing it as fatigue, Lourd was in for a shock when he was diagnosed with kidney issues. "It was the universe's way of telling me to slow down," says Lourd, who then took a three-year sabbatical. Days were spent visiting hospital for dialysis, and dealing with day-to-day discomfort regarding food and water consumption. "The biggest worry was whether I would get a donor for a transplant. People said it could take 5-10 years or even up to 35 years," says Lourd. He was lucky to get one in 2014. Moving to the countryside and trying to work from home, his focus was managing his health and remaining mentally strong. While it's been a long road to recovery, with dialysis taking a toll on his lungs, Lourd has worked around the challenges. "Even now if I do a high momentum dance for 30 seconds, it affects my breathing. But I'm just watchful and careful," he says.

frankly speaking

While he has stuck to online lessons, he is now planning to consider requests for private one-on-one classes at his studio in Cooke Town. His niche is Salsa, but his brand encompasses different forms, including hip hop and ballroom. Most of his Salsa students are those aged above 45 years, who are looking to pick up a sophisticated dance form. "The younger lot want to learn it to impress peers but those in their 40s look at it from a different point of view," he says.

The troupe is now preparing for the Dance World Cup qualifiers in January 2021, which is likely to be held virtually. "We were set to go to Italy for the 2020 Dance World Cup, but it didn't happen at all. We will now have to see whether it's going to be combined with next year's," he says, about the event where his teams have often returned with golds.

KNOW YOUR CITY

Answers

The correct answers are

1. Jayachamaraja Wodeyar
2. Kuvempu (Kuppali Venkatappagowda Puttappa)
3. Meade's Park

First 3 readers who got it right

1) Vignesh Revanur
2) Padma Mangala
3) Shalinimanohar Dhali

Arun Prasad, city-based history researcher, unravels interesting facts about Bengaluru in this weekly quiz series. So it's time for you to find out how familiar you are with the city, beyond its heritage buildings, IT parks and the pub culture. The quiz will be published every Wednesday. Send answers to bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com with the subject line 'Know Your City Quiz'. Correct answers and names of first three respondents with right answers will be featured in CE on Thursday.

'Puneeth Rajkumar is admired for being a fit actor'

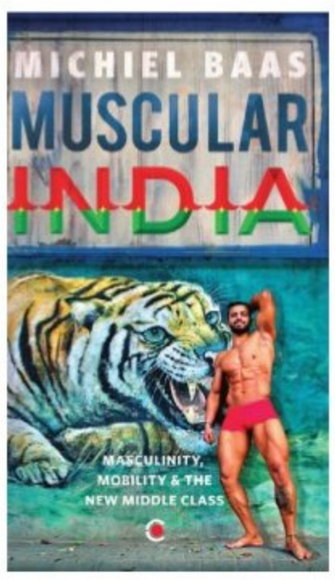
• **Monika Monalisa**

Well-heeled urban Indians working out in swank gyms on one end, and wrestlers building their muscles in rural akharas on the other. Between the two lies the middle class, which has experienced an evolution in the idea of masculinity too. Amsterdam-based author Michiel Baas's latest book, *Muscular India*, gives a sneak peek into how a once-niche concept of body-building has reached the Indian middle class. Baas will be talking about his latest work during a live event being held on Champaca book store's Instagram page on Friday.

"The field of bodybuilding itself has become much more professional in recent years, and this offers an increasing number of men the opportunity to participate in competitions. Prize money is generally quite low, so the main goal is to showcase one's accomplishments, which helps them attract social media followers and hopefully also personal training clients," says Baas, who has spent a decade studying gyms, trainers and bodybuilders, and finds in them new way to know more about India.

According to him, while the country has always been fascinated by movies, cinema has also played a key role in this evolution of masculinity in India. "It's not just Bollywood but also Tollywood, Kollywood and Sandalwood that contribute to the popularity of new bodily ideals. Sandalwood hero Puneeth Rajkumar is equally admired for being a very fit actor," says Baas, pointing out that it is important not to equate muscular bodies with the toxic masculinity women meet on the streets.

Being an anthropologist, Baas found it easy to spend a lot of time with his sources who later became good friends. He stresses that his sexual orientation didn't pose any undue challenges in the research. "I found that trainers cared very little about this. However, it was something my gay friends in India would joke about. They assumed that I had mainly picked this research to meet good looking men," says Bass, who has been familiar with India, especially Bengaluru, since the family of his partner of 17 years belongs to the city. However, his first love for the country was developed through his interest in Hinduism, more specifically the Mahabharata, and was further boosted when he started reading Indian fiction in the mid-1990s, starting with books by R K Narayan and Salman Rushdie.



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—**Michiel Baas,** author

Just like the topic for his latest book, many have found its cover quite intriguing too and Baas is well aware of that. "The cover image is by Bengaluru-based photographer Cop Shiva. He is a friend and at some point I had mentioned the book to him and he suggested using this image," says Baas. He adds, "What I like about this picture is that it seems as if the tiger is attacking the cover model, Abhishek. But Abhishek stands firm and looks like he has nothing to worry about. He is in control, his body radiates strength and confidence, the city is clearly his."

Eggs and expressions

• **Express Features**

Beauty lies in the eyes of the beholder, they say. That is definitely true in the case of Madhuri Umashankar, a visual artist who often uses cork and eggshells as canvas for her artworks. The city resident is now holding an online workshop where others too can learn how to create art from waste. "The idea came to me during the lockdown. The bottom of an egg happened to break off in a way that left the top perfectly intact. When I started painting it, I realised they actually make good home decor," says the former marketing professional, who moved to the city a year ago from Melbourne.

The one-and-a-half-hour-long event, held in association with Dialogues, will be on how to paint an expression onto eggshells. "It's a 'paint and sip' event, so people can indulge in wine, beer or whatever their choice of poison is, as we create the eggheads," says Umashankar, who says the creations lend themselves well to home decor. "I have fixed mine onto two small wine glasses. But people can also crumple brown paper to make it resemble a nest. They can place these eggs with different expressions on them and place it on a shelf. There's a lot of scope for creativity," she adds.

Previously, Umashankar, who goes by @madsterdrama on Instagram, has also dabbled with coffee art, painting with wine, glow in the dark paints and tea. "Changing things around is what keeps me going and prevents things from getting monotonous," she says. It also helped her during the lockdown. "Earlier, watching a series was something we did at the end of the workday. Doing it all the time takes away the novelty. Art helped me, I'm not sure what I would do without it."

The event will be held on Google Meet at 7.30pm on Sept. 18. Details on dialogues.space

Madhuri Umashankar (above); and her art on egg shells (top)

WORD VIEW

PM Narendra Modi's early influences shaped him: Bhawana Somaaya

• **Express Features**

A film critic, biographer and journalist... **Bhawana Somaaya** has spent over four decades in the showbiz, documenting the lives of several Bollywood stars, but it is her newest project that has been the talk of the town. Her book titled *Letters to Mother,* a translation of the Gujarati book *Saakshi Bhaav*, which is a collection of letters by Prime Minister Narendra Modi is releasing on Thursday. The book features letters penned by a young Modi to the Mother Goddess, whom he addresses as 'Jagat Janani', and explores his innermost anxieties, thoughts and observations.

"Journalists can get sensitive about certain people they write about. There comes a point when we are told to stop being sensitive as if being sensitive is a crime. But here's a man who is overflowing with sensitivity, not worried about being judged, and being vulnerable. In fact, after I was done reading the book I couldn't believe the amount of intensity in it, how he had laid himself so bare," Bhawana told Kaveree Bamzai about the PM's letters, during the recent edition of Indulge Time Pass. The author and cultural commentator, who has written 16, books, explored several other issues during the chat. Excerpts:

TIME PASS

Responsible translation

At the time of the translation, when I would stop writing and switch on the TV, I often wondered if this is the man I'm writing about. Even when I was working on a book on Amitabh Bachchan, meeting him or watching his movies was so distracting for my process. Translation is far more difficult than writing, because when I'm writing, I'm only responsible for myself, but this is a dual responsibility. Though Gujarati is my mother tongue, I had never studied Gujarati, I just know it sufficiently well. Also, I have to sync in my voice, a female voice with the PM's voice, a male voice.

I'm damned if I do this book, I'm damned if I don't! But I really don't care about what people think. I have never sought feedback, even from the people I write about. I'm not a political journalist, it's not a political interview that I'm documenting. I am translating a book... that's it. There were many lines in the book that moved me. So, when the language became too complicated I took the help of some friends to understand it better. There was a line, which he used to describe the sea and river, it felt beautiful. In fact, I felt it got lost in translation. I think if there is a Gujarati actor with a great voice who could read these out, it would be lovely.

On nature and politics

Mr Modi addresses different experiences and subjects in his book — from talking about the planet, to his mother's emotions for him. When he talks about nature, the way he characterises nature, the river, the moon, the constant dialogue with nature... I was introduced to his minute observations. His imagination is overwhelming and he uses it to camouflage his sensitivity and address broader issues. If I have to ask the PM one question then I'd ask him — why do so many people love you and why do so many people hate you? I was curious to know more about 1986, the politics, his life, about RSS. I'm familiar with the emotions of success and non-success so I could switch it on accordingly, but this was a new world to me; his suffering is constant. He is not throwing his suffering away, it's collective, calm and meditative and used productively, and had been put into these passages. It's the same for anybody who overthinks, he's never at peace.

Drawing Shakti

I would hear stories about him, of course, of how he would fast for the goddess on Navratri. All of us have one god who we relate to; for him, it's the mother goddess. Even in cinema, Dilip Kumar and Amitabh Bachchan always addressed Shiva, Meena Kumari always cried before Krishna, female protagonists in parallel cinema have talked to the mother goddess, because she's Shakti. For the Prime Minister, I think it's the early influences that shaped him because the idea of goddess arises from our mothers for most of us.

Bollywood today

In 40 years, I have not experienced anything like this, it's become so messy. I have never encountered junkies or parties of this kind, maybe I have lived through a different world. I applaud Jaya Bachchan for what she said in Rajya Sabha. But for a few rotten tomatoes you can't blame the whole basket. Be it crime or suicide it happens everywhere, it's not just the film fraternity. My friends are questioning if this really is a world of sin, but this is such an exaggerated perception.

QUICK FIX

What's cooking IN YOUR KITCHEN?

We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at cityexpresschn@gmail.com.

TRIFLE PUDDING

INGREDIENTS

- **Sweet/fruit bread or sweet bun:** 1
- **Chopped mixed fruits:** 1 cup
- **Whole milk:** 1.5 cups
- **Custard powder:** 3 tbsp
- **Fruit juice or sugar/ honey water:** 5 tbsp
- **Cream or malai** (whipped)
- **Biscuits:** 4-5

METHOD

- Prepare custard as per instructions on the packet. Let it cool.
- Whip the cream till it peaks. Refrigerate it. Crumble the bread and soak in juice/ syrup. Grind the biscuits.
- Layer a glass with biscuits, custard, fruits, bread, and cream. Repeat if required. Garnish as desired.
- Serve chilled.

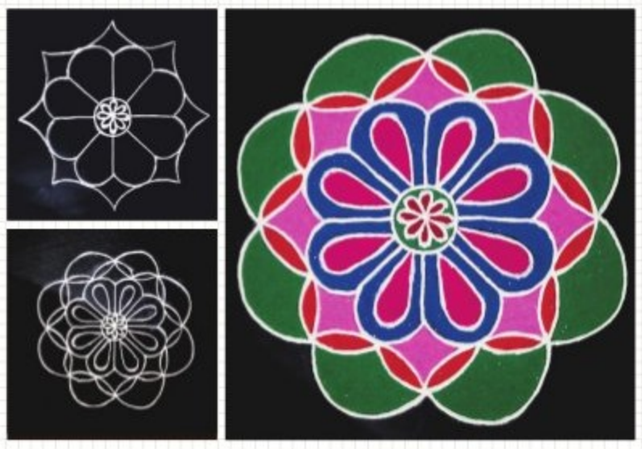
– Karmanya Sharma, New Delhi

DOTS & DESIGNS

FREEHAND KOLAM

- Draw a circle at the centre.
- Draw eight dots on the circle.
- Form eight petals from the centre inside the circle.
- From the eight points on the circle, draw straight lines in the shape of a plus and star.
- Close every two lines with a curve so that if forms a petal shape.
- Now, keep a dot between every two petals on the exterior.
- Connect them with curves.

– Gandhimathy Senthilkumaran



BRIGHT SPOT

FERRYING FUN AND FAIRIES

A grandmother-granddaughter duo in New York have been making fairy houses for years. But when COVID-19 hit, they got busy creating little magical vignettes they could place outside for the community to enjoy. The fairy tour begins at a tiny mailbox next to a tree that holds a listing of each little house and its name. An arrow points the way to a lovely flower-filled garden where the houses are nestled in between greenery and colourful blooms. The first stop on the tour is 'Bernie's Buttons': a round mosaic house with a bright pink door and jewels that sparkle in the sun. It's made out of a tin can, plaster of Paris, old buttons, glitter, and beads. They use household objects, buttons, pebbles, glitter and plastic jewels to make the tour even more interesting. At 'Finley's Shanty', an old stone pathway welcomes visiting fairies to enter via the round wooden door. A huge crystal ball glows with mysterious powers. In the end, every visitor gets a jewel as a souvenir.

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FIT BIT

EKAPADAVIPARITADANDASANA
(ONE LEGGED INVERTED STAFF POSE)

In Sanskrit, 'Eka' means 'one', 'Pada' means 'foot', 'Viparita' means 'reversed' or 'inverted', 'Danda' means 'staff' and 'asana' means 'pose'. It is a strong and advanced backbend. In the pose the head is nestled between the hands as in Sirsasana (the headstand), and the torso is gracefully arched in the air. One foot remains on the floor while the other leg is raised and extended with the foot pointing towards the sky. It takes disciplined practise to learn. Practitioners of Iyengar yoga, Ashtanga yoga, power and others do this posture.

STEPS

- Lie on your back, keeping your legs stretched out, tightened at the knees. Place your hands by the side of your legs, palms facing down. Take a few deep breaths.
- Extend your arms over the head, bend the elbows and place your palms underneath the shoulders, fingers pointing towards the feet. Bend and raise your knees, bring the feet near the hips and rest them on the floor.
- Exhale, lift up your head and trunk and rest the crown of your head on the floor. Take a few breaths.
- Exhale, extend your legs, straighten them one by one by one bearing the weight on the hands, head and neck.
- Take your left hand off the floor and place it behind your head, resting the elbow on the floor. Take two breaths.
- Now, remove your right hand and place the elbow on the floor. Move your hand behind the head, interlock the fingers and rest the cupped hands against the back of your head.
- Now, exhale and lift your left leg up vertically while keeping the right leg on the floor.
- Stay in this pose with normal breathing for 10 seconds.
- Lower your left leg and come to Viparita Dandasana. Then with an exhalation, repeat the pose for equal length of time, keeping the right leg perpendicular.
- Come back to initial posture and relax.

BENEFITS

- This is a heart-opening posture, with emotional and physical effects.
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- Increases spine and shoulder flexibility
- Strengthens and invigorates the whole body
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- Develops poise and stillness of mind, and makes the practitioner humble.

LIMITATIONS

- If you have spinal nerve damage or disc problems, chronic shoulder dislocations, unmanaged high blood pressure, avoid this.
- Pregnant women and those who are menstruating must avoid this.
- People with retinal problems must avoid this.

– by N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

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- Cast: Vikky Varun, Manvitha Harish

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- Cast: Puneeth Rajkumar, Bhavana

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- Cast: Mohanlal, Puneeth Rajkumar

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- Cast: Rajnikanth, Nagma, Raghuvaran, Janagaraj

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NOW STREAMING

REGIONAL

KATHANAM (Kannada)
Anu, an aspiring director is given a chance to write a script for a movie. As she pens her script, the characters referenced in it start to die in real life, as per her narrative. Anu approaches ACP Randhir to stop further deaths. The dark truths revealed in the investigation make up the rest of the story of the movie
- Cast: Anasuya Bharadwaj, Randhir
- Watch on: Amazon prime
- Registration: ₹129 per month

ALIDU ULIDAVARU (Kannada)
Alidu Ulidavaru revolves around a popular TV host and myth-buster of superstitions, who is working on the 100th episode for his show. Caught in the business of numbers, TRPs and relationship tangles, this psychological thriller uncovers the secret that is haunting him.
- Cast: Ashu Bedra, Atul Kulkarni, Pawan Kumar
- Watch on: Amazon prime
- Registration: ₹129 per month

CARGO (Hindi)
Aboard a spaceship where souls of the deceased are readied for reincarnation, a lone crew member's rigid existence is disrupted by a spry new assistant.
- Cast: Vikrant Massey, Shweta Tripathi, Nandu Madhav
- Watch on: Netflix

BIRBAL TRILOGY (Kannada)
A man who is wrongly accused of murder is helped by an advocate, facing various threats during the investigation.
- Cast: Amoghavarsha, Aruna Balraj, Pruthvi Banawasi
- Watch on: Amazon Prime

RAAZI
(Hindi)
Sehmat Khan, an undercover RAW agent, is married into a Pakistani family by her father so that she can get some valuable piece of information about the enemy.
- Cast: Alia Bhatt, Vicky Kaushal, Jaideep Ahlawat, Amruta Khanvilkar
- Watch on: Amazon Prime

All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.

MANMADHUDU 2 (Telugu)
When his family gives him an ultimatum to get married, Sam, a cynical bachelor, hires Avantika to act as his fiancee. He soon finds himself in trouble as he and his family grow fond of Avantika.
- Cast: Akkineni Nagarjuna, Rakul Preet Singh, Samantha Akkineni
- Watch on: Netflix

SAMARPANAM (Malayalam)
When a woman is found mysteriously murdered on the railway tracks, her employer, the officer who investigates her case and the doctor who performs her autopsy form an unlikely bond.
- Cast: Anil Nedumangad, Santhosh Keezhattoor, Renji Panicker
- Watch on: Netflix

FOREIGN

RATATOUILLE (English)
Remy, a rat, aspires to become a renowned French chef. However, he fails to realise that people despise rodents and will never enjoy a meal cooked by him.
- Cast: Patton Oswalt, Lou Romano, Brad Bird, Janeane Garofalo
- Watch on: Disney+Hotstar

GIFTED (English)
Frank, a single man raising his genius niece, Mary, gets into a legal battle with his mother, Evelyn, over her custody. However, Evelyn will do anything to make Mary complete her mother's project.
- Cast: Chris Evans, Mckenna Grace, Jenny Slate, Octavia Spencer
- Watch on: Disney+Hotstar

VERONICA (Spanish)
During a solar eclipse, young Verónica and her friends want to summon the spirit of Verónica's father using an Ouija board. However, during the session, she loses consciousness and soon it becomes clear that evil demons have arrived. ● Cast: Sandra Escacena, Iván Chavero, Claudia Placer, Bruna González ● Watch on: Netflix

THE PHOTOGRAPHER OF MAUTHAUSEN (Spanish)
Based on real events, a photographer tries to save evidence of the horrors committed inside the walls of a Nazi concentration camp in Mauthausen.
- Cast: Mario Casas, Alain Hernández, Richard van Weyden, Adria Salazar, Stefan Weinert ● Watch on: Netflix

SUBSCRIPTION
- **Netflix:** ₹ 199 per month
- **Amazon Prime:** ₹129 per month
- **Disney+Hotstar:** ₹ 399 per year

Embracing the 30-wear challenge

Every day, our social media platforms pose a new challenge, filling our feed with the caption "challenge accepted" and images of people across the globe showing their creative interpretation of the challenge posed. One that captured my interest and today feels relevant more than ever was the #30wear campaign. The movement, created by sustainable fashion pioneer and EcoAge founder Livia Frith, who is also the executive producer of The True Cost documentary, was simply about making a consumer more aware and conscious. Changing the way we approach shopping, her simple yet thought provoking message challenges you to ask the question – "Will I wear this a minimum of 30 times?" before any new buy. If the answer is 'yes', then purchase it. And don't be surprised by the number of times it is a 'no'.

Thirty times may not seem like a lot and this could be either by repeatedly wearing the heck out of a garment for a few years or keeping a special piece in your wardrobe for decades. While wearing a dress 30 times may not seem like a task, finding innovative ways of styling it may be challenging.

Gursi Singh and Amrita Khanna, who collaboratively run the clothing brand Lovebirds, believe that functionality, timelessness and modernity with a bit of playfulness are what make their garment trans-seasonal. They describe their version of a classic 30-wear dress to be extremely durable, versatile and one that can easily transition from the day to the evening, anywhere in the world. "We wanted to design a dress that is comfortable, loungy and super chic at the same time with a fun outlook. Something that you can slip on while going out to buy groceries or even for a brunch or an evening get-together. Add a belt, throw a jacket on top, or wear it with different shoes to make it look different or just accessorise it! It's also a great travel piece, easy to pack, doesn't wrinkle easily and looks great at the beach as well. It's a dress that is going to last a long time in our coming collections and our wardrobes. A garment does not dictate how to wear it or defines the wearer's personality, in fact it enhances one's personality".

As someone who has always advocated re-wearing, this challenge to me isn't about completely giving up on shopping but to view your clothes as an investment rather than just something to dispose of. Although it may seem overwhelming to start building a conscious closet from scratch, the 30-wear challenge is a great way to get creative with your wardrobe styling and start easing into a mindful shopping journey.

Multi-functional dress by Lovebirds

STAYING SAFE, IN STYLE

Actor Karunya Ram flaunts jewellery designed by Laxmi Krishna; necklace by C Krishniah Chetty (below)

Do you worry about your jewellery or clothes each time you sanitise your hands, or enter the disinfection tunnel? Here's how you can protect them as you keep yourself safe from Covid-19

• Simran Ahuja

Frequent handwashing and sanitising have become an essential part of our lives. But while protecting us from the novel coronavirus, alcohol-based handrubs may be inflicting some damage on the clothes and accessories we wear. Or as Shweta Singh, an assistant professor at Vogue Institute of Art and Design, says, "Damage on clothes, irrespective of its style, will directly be proportional to the area exposed to sanitiser. The more exposure of the fabrics to sanitiser, the worse the effect. Any apparel with natural dyes involved in the process of making will show side effects."

The same prompted fashion designer Laxmi Krishna to start using a UVC virus diffuser to sanitise her designs post client trials. The alcohol content in sanitisers, she explains, can cause the texture of raw silk outfits to go down a notch. "But through this machine, 99 per cent of viral, bacteria and other germs are killed without any impact on the quality of the material," she adds.

These days, it's not just bottles of sanitisers that are a common sight everywhere. Malls, offices and other commercial ventures are also investing in tunnels that spray a mist of disinfectant as people pass through it. Here again, says Krishna, the alcohol content can cause clothes to shrink, texture to deteriorate, or leave behind stains. While the effect is negligible if used once in a while, over time, one would notice it having an impact on clothes. Singh suggests adding an extra layer to protect your apparel. She says, "Plastic or polyester-based windcheaters over the attire could prevent direct contact to alcohol in sanitisers."

The good news with modern 70 per cent alcohol-based sanitisers is that unlike the earlier sanitisers that contain chlorine, these do not harm gold, sliver, platinum, or diamonds and rubies. Vinod Hayagriv, director and MD, C Krishniah Chetty Group of Jewellers, explains, "Chlorine can erode the prongs that encase a gemstone. If worn out, the prongs could get potentially loose and cause the gemstones and diamonds to fall out. Today's alcohol-based rubs, however, are safer for jewellery." While you need not worry while using jewellery with non-porous materials like gold, silver, platinum or diamond, you do need to exercise caution with pearls, all types of corals, lower grade emeralds and turquoises, lapis lazuli and such. "These could get dull or the polish may fade if they come in contact with all types of sanitisers. So while using an alcohol-based rub, remember to apply it on the skin portions, on gold or precious metals, which are largely unaffected, and not on the gemstone. It would be ideal to apply the sanitiser first and wear your jewellery last," says Hayagriv.

Shyamala Ramanan, business head, Mia by Tanishq, says jewellery that gets exposed to external surfaces, such as rings or bangles, can be cleaned with a mild soap solution or even an alcohol wipe (if no stones are there) at the end of the day. She adds, "Since we are already avoiding touching our faces, earrings, neckwear and nosepins are quite safe to wear on an everyday basis."

Krishna, however, now recommends opting for handmade jewellery, made of cloth, jute or terracotta. "Not only are these in right now, they are also washable and do not get affected with sanitisers. Besides, since you can use your own fabric to make them, they force you to get creative too," she says.

TAKING CARE

- Wear cotton or net instead of satin, raw silk or chiffon if you are going to pass through a disinfection tunnel
- Wear a polyester windcheater over your clothes to protect them from exposure to alcohol in sanitisers
- Apply the sanitiser before you wear jewellery. Or apply it only on the skin, and avoid touching any gemstone
- Opt for jewellery made of cloth, jute or terracotta instead of gemstones

If you know that you will be passing through a disinfection tunnel, opt for net or cotton clothes. They can withstand the effects more than sensitive material like satin, chiffon or raw silk

—**Laxmi Krishna,** fashion designer

Bro's the word

Big sister Shubra Aiyappa took to Instagram to wish her younger brother, Shravan Bopanna, on his birthday. Besides dedicating a post to him on her feed, she also uploaded multiple pictures with her sibling on her story. The doting sister captioned her post, "Happy birthday to my not so little brother, my forever number one. I am so proud of who you are becoming.. love you".

Selfie pro

Nidhi Subbaiah is sure like any one of us on vacation. The actor uploaded a picture on Instagram to show the world how she nails solo travel like a pro. She uploaded a series of throwback photographs from her trip to Rome, Italy, and said, "When you travel and there's no one to take your pics so you buy a selfie stick and this is what your holiday pics end up looking like".

CITY READ

SBI conducts tree plantation activity

State Bank of India, under the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, initiated a Swachhata Pakhwada (fortnight), with the theme, 'Swachhata is everyone's business', which ended on Sept. 15. To conclude the event, the Bengaluru circle of SBI organised a tree plantation activity which was carried out by Abhijit Majumder, chief general manager of Bengaluru circle, along with other general managers. Speaking about maintaining hygiene and cleanliness, he urged all the staff members to dedicate two hours per week to voluntarily work towards keeping the country clean.

VERSES BEYOND BORDERS

• Express Features

Emotiona, feelings and thoughts. All of this expressed through poetry, this time in Hindi. That's what is in store at Mehfil, which is an evening of verses in Hindi. Poets Saurav Roy and Ram Krishna will share their works during a session which will be moderated by poet Divas Gupta.

Organised by Mansee Shah Thard, co-founder of the performance space Lahe Lahe, the two-hour session held between 6 and 8pm on Sunday, will also see the poets sharing their original works for around 20 minutes. "Poetry sessions receive a very niche audience. On the other hand, if it has a musical element, there is an universal appeal with many more takers," Thard says, adding that there is no restriction on theme in these sessions. Audience members too, can share their works. "It's an evening filled with expressions of emotions, feelings and thoughts which we all experience through life. Some pen it down beautifully," she says.

But the idea is to delve into metre, feel and soak in the experiences expressed in verses. "We've kept it open to anyone interested in poetry. Family and friends of the featured poets often join in," she says. While they alternate between English and Hindi, Thard finds that sessions in regional languages have few takers. "For instance, Tamil theatre or storytelling doesn't see much traction," she says.

The Covid-19 pandemic has turned many activities online, and Thard finds that virtual attendees miss the vibe. In addition, with screen time for professional and personal activities blurring, and virtual communication fatigue setting in, many opt out. "But at the same time, online sessions have removed borders. We see participation from other parts of the country and the world, and get to hear some diverse works," she says.

Mehfil will be held on Sept. 20, between 6pm and 8pm. For details, visit the Facebook page of Lahe Lahe

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FOR A 'SOCIAL' CAUSE

It took me by surprise to see that classes on how to use Instagram are hugely popular. But then we realised that the older folk see youngsters, and want to participate too

—**Shreya Bajaj Shah,** businessperson

• Express Features

The lockdown transformed the world overnight, with groceries having to be ordered online, installing and using the Aarogya Setu app, and digital payments becoming the preferred medium. But while people may have the latest gadgets, not many know how to use them. This prompted sisters Shreya Bajaj Shah and Surbhi Bajaj to start virtual classes for families, an initiative that has now been extended to the virtual world.

Called Easy Hai, these classes show people how to master Google Calendar to stay organised, use LinkedIn for professional connections, Facebook and Instagram for beginners, make the most of Facebook groups and pages, click better pictures on iPhone, along with storing them in albums, and how to use Microsoft Excel. "My mother used to have a whole lot of questions, which is the case with many others. We just fix the issues without explaining details. But now, with the classes, we find that students are able to understand, for instance, the use of a search or help function. Otherwise, they were scared to experiment, not knowing where it would take them," says Shreya.

The sisters, who are otherwise involved in their family business of PVC pipes, put up a weekly schedule that allows users to pick their classes. While group classes, usually conducted by Shreya, are priced at ₹150 each, a one-on-one session held by Surbhi is priced between ₹500 and ₹1,000, depending on the topic. They have recently included personal finance sessions too. The one-hour group classes follow a structure and is interspersed with Q&A. Their "students" range between the ages of 45 and 85 years.

"The response has been overwhelming after we shared it on social media. We've had learners sign up from even Thailand and New York," says Shreya. In addition, they are working with four FICCI FLO chapters – Chennai, Ludhiana, Kanpur and Lucknow.

Besides how to use Paytm and Googlepay, the most popular classes are on Instagram and clicking photographs and uploading them on social media. "It took me by surprise that Instagram is hugely popular. But we realised that the older folk see youngsters and want to participate too," she says.

Surbhi Bajaj

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'EVERY WORK HAS ITS OWN VALUE AND NEEDS TO BE ENJOYED'

Ahead of his birthday, Real Star Upendra talks to CE about his passion for films and Prajaakeeya, and how he always finds so much time on his hands despite the busy schedule

A Sharadhaa

Upendra is not celebrating his birthday with his fans on Sept. 18. The actor took to the social media to address it through a video message, where he expressed his sadness over not being able to be with his fans on this special day. The actor also urged his fans to refrain from assembling near his house, and promised them that he would try to interact with them through Facebook Live. The Real Star also talked about his upcoming directorial, and said he will be soon be sharing details of the project along with the title.

He is now almost done with the scriptwriting and is waiting for the right time to announce his directorial project, Upendra told *CE*. Not giving a whiff about the kind of the subject or genre he is working on, he said he will announce the details of the film in 2021, which is when he also plans to start rolling it.

This apart, the makers of *Kabza*, directed by R Chandru, are coming up with a special poster for the actor's birthday, which will be released by director Ram Gopal Varma.

Ask Uppi, who has taken a short break to spend time with his family, about his birthday plans, and he is quick to reply, "It's Prajakeeya." The actor, who has forayed into politics, believes in governance by connecting with people. He says Prajakeeya is a lifeline, and that he enjoys spreading awareness through his party.

The Ral Star, who has *Home Minister* ready for release, is currently juggling three projects. While his *Buddhivantha 2* is in the last phase of shooting, he has now given dates to Om Prakash Rao's *Veda Vyasa* and is looking forward to resuming the shooting of R Chandru's *Kabza*. Despite so much work, Upendra feels he has a lot of time on his hands. Though the pandemic brought everyone's life to a halt for some time, the actor-director-writer kept himself busy with scriptwriting, farming, discussions about films, and spending time with his family. "Every work has its own value and needs to be enjoyed. The problem comes when we start comparing," he says.

Talking about shooting for *Veda Vyasa* amid the pandemic and post lockdown, Upendra says, "Except for wearing masks, and adhering to safety measures, in general, I see life is coming back to normal, and I see crowds everywhere. It looks like there is no Covid fear among the public anymore."

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— **Upendra**, actor

Everything will be special about *Kabza*: Upendra

Kabza, directed by R Chandru, is currently creating a lot of buzz for Upendra. "The team has adopted a Hollywood style of filmmaking for *Kabza*, and there is a lot of excitement surrounding this project. I feel thrilled each time I enter the *Kabza* set," says Upendra. The gangster drama will be released in seven languages -- Kannada, Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, Hindi, Marathi, and Bengali. "It is shaping up well, and we hope to come out with a good product," says Uppi, adding, "A subject like Kabza cannot be explained through words, it is an experience that should be enjoyed by all kinds of audience."

Akshay Kumar's *Laxmmi Bomb* to premiere on Disney+ Hotstar

CE Features

Directed by Raghava Lawrence, the film is a remake of the 2011 Tamil horror-comedy *Muni 2: Kanchana*

Akshay Kumar-starrer *Laxmmi Bomb* will premiere on Disney+ Hotstar on Diwali (November 9). Directed by Raghava Lawrence, the film is a remake of the 2011 Tamil horror-comedy *Muni 2: Kanchana*. The original story follows the ghost of a transgender woman who possesses a faint-hearted man to take revenge on her murderers. The Hindi remake also stars Kiara Advani, Tusshar Kapoor, Sharad Kelkar and others.

It was earlier speculated that the makers were pulling the film off OTT to wait for theatres to reopen. However, the rumours were officially put to rest on Wednesday, with Akshay announcing the film's release date as November 9. This is the actor's first direct-to-digital release.

"This Diwali, 'Laxmmi' will arrive in your homes with a 'bomb'," Akshay tweeted, sharing a new teaser for the film.

Laxmmi Bomb will stream on Disney+ Hotstar VIP on November 9 from 9 pm onwards. The platform is also set to release *Bhuj: The Pride of India* and *The Big Bull*.

A still from *Laxmmi Bomb*

Zaid Khan, Sonal Monteiro don eight costumes in *Banaras* song

The romantic number directed by Jayathirtha is inspired by different cultures across the world

The last track only features the hero and his friends, and we plan to shoot in Goa depending on the situation, and only when we get clarity on the shooting process out there
— **Jayathirtha** director

Zaid Khan and Sonal Monteiro

CE Features

Belakina Kavithe, Beragige sothe... Thus go the lyrics of the song written by Dr Nagendra Prasad, which has music composed by Ajaneesh Loknath. Director Jayathirtha has come up with a romantic number for his upcoming film, *Banaras*, which is inspired by different cultures across the world. The song, featuring debutant actor, Zaid Khan and Sonal Monteiro, was shot on nine sets created in two studios – Kanteerava and Unicorn. "For the backdrop, we took references from Hampi, Rome, Harry Potter, Shakuntala, and Ravi Varma paintings, etc. We also had eight different kinds of costumes designed by Rashmi for the lead actors, which complemented the backdrop," says Jayathirtha.

The song was choreographed by director and dance master A Harsha. The makers are now left with one song and a couple of scenes to shoot. Though the director was considering Singapore or Srilanka as the shooting locations, the plans changed due to the pandemic, and he is now looking at filming in Goa. "The last track only features the hero and his friends, and we plan to shoot in Goa depending on the situation, and only when we get clarity on the shooting process out there," says Jayathirtha.

Banaras is the launch vehicle of Zameer Ahmed Khan's son, Zaid Khan. It is shot mostly in the backdrop of Varanasi and the makers have managed to shoot the love story at all the 64 ghats there. According to the director, this is a first-of-its-kind initiative in an Indian film. *Banaras* has cinematography by Advaitha Gurumurthy.

Sonam Kapoor reading seven new scripts in London

CE Features

The actor has a clutch of 'fun and interesting' scripts and is looking forward to start work again, a source reveals

Actor Sonam Kapoor Ahuja, who's presently stationed with her husband Anand Ahuja in London, has kept busy during the lockdown. A source reveals that Sonam has been occupied with seven scripts in her hand, which she's presently reading.

"Sonam has got some really fun and interesting scripts and she's spending a lot of her time reading them. She's really looking forward to start work again once the current scenario gets better," the source says.

Sonam had last appeared in *Ek Ladki Ko Dekha Toh Aisa Laga* and *The Zoya Factor*, both released in 2019. In a previous interview, Sonam revealed she'd like to explore the horror and action genres next.

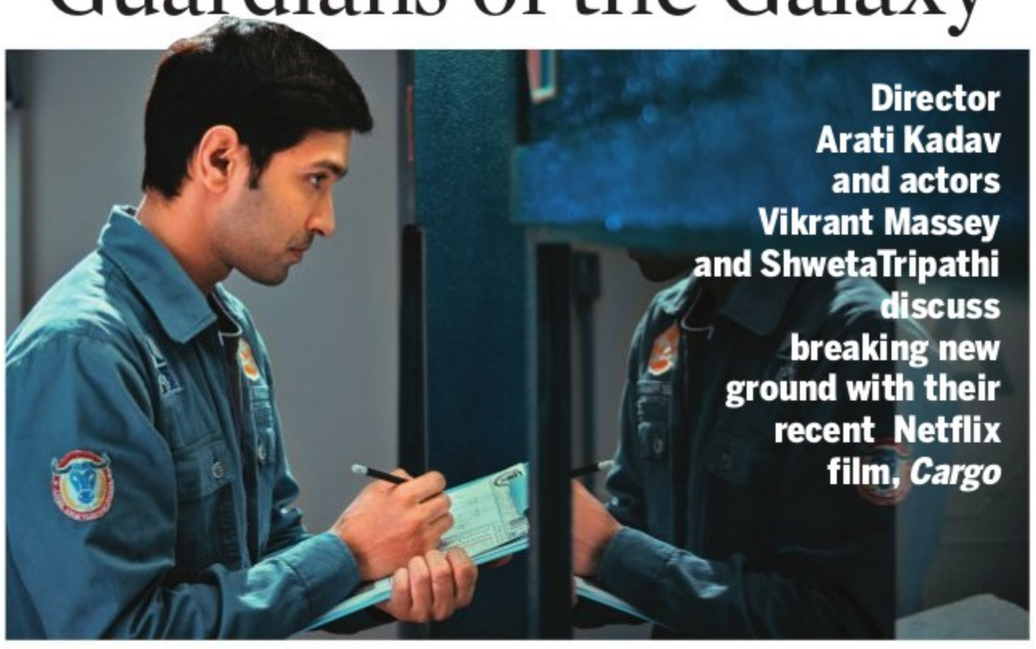
Sonam Kapoor

Guardians of the Galaxy

Avinash Ramachandran

It is an interesting time for sci-fi fans in India. After years of looking westward for their regular dose of this genre, they are finally getting regular homegrown content, thanks to the lockdown. Arati Kadav's sci-fi film, *Cargo*, which released recently on Netflix, got quite a bit of attention for its wacky premise. Given that the sci-fi genre is still in its nascent stages here, you understand why *Cargo* has quite a few familiar Indian mythology elements in the narrative. "From childhood, I have been attracted to Indian folklore. Every generation tells future generations about its folklores, and I always wondered what urban folklore we were telling. That's how these layers got added to the world I built for *Cargo*," says techie-turned-filmmaker, Arati.

The world of *Cargo* is new to the Indian milieu, and might have stumped actors Vikrant Massey and Shweta Tripathi. The actors credit Arati for "her knowledge and proper homework" that they say helped them familiarise themselves with this world. "The emotions are going to be same irrespective of the location, and once an actor can figure out the pulse, then it becomes easier," says Shweta, emphasising the importance of feeding off the writer and director's energy to deliver the best possible output for a script. Agreeing, Vikrant says, "When we were young, the only abstract land I saw was in Amar Chitra Katha fables. When there is clarity in the script and the director, half our job in imagining the new world gets sorted."


Director Arati Kadav and actors Vikrant Massey and ShwetaTripathi discuss breaking new ground with their recent Netflix film, *Cargo*

The mutual admiration continues with Arati interjecting to say that her vision of *Cargo* was fulfilled by the conviction of her actors. "To make a film believable, it is important that the actors have a nuanced understanding of the subject. Both Vikrant and Shweta understand layers. They had to surrender to a world where 50 per cent of the shooting involves green screen. Their sincerity makes everything more believable," says Arati.

This film, involving a carefully-constructed world, has been released on a digital platform, and so, I ask if this was a dampener. "It is a match made in heaven, in fact. For the film we have made, and the kind of audience we want to reach, Netflix is a godsend," says Vikrant. The same emotion is reflected in the sprightly responses from both Arati and Shweta. "We are going through a pandemic. It is a responsible thing to release on OTT, and the content on Netflix is all about quality," says Arati, going on to add how it is a matter of great pride that Cargo is included in the sci-fi pool of Netflix that includes content like *Dark* and *Stranger Things*. "Also, *Cargo* has enjoyed a good festival run outside India. Shweta and Vikrant have won awards at the Miami sci-fi film festival, for instance. We are reaching every corner of the world and it is the best thing that could have happened to a film like Cargo," explains Arati.

Vikrant and Shweta are actors who have benefitted from the reach secured from digital platforms, and can be thought of as those who had the advantage of being prime movers in this space. "See, this is a maidaan, and more the competition, better the content. Why shouldn't everybody get a chance?" asks Shweta, quickly adding with a smile, "As long as we are in the kind of projects we want to do, and are paid the kind of money we are happy with, anything is okay." *The Masaan* actor feels there is no need for any actors already present in the fold or the ones entering it now to feel insecure about their place. "India is a country with enough stories to tell, and the audience is waiting for good content. Everyone should get work. Everyone should get money, and we should all share the love," says Shweta, and Vikrant.